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Against Increasingly Long Odds

Volunteers Fight to Keep Steelhead Alive

By Stan Hall

Carmel River steelhead, in the center of controversy over plans to build a big new dam to serve the peninsula's water needs, are in trouble. Only the intervention of a handful of volunteers may be keeping them alive—and some suggested privately that some water officials would just as soon see the fish become extinct.

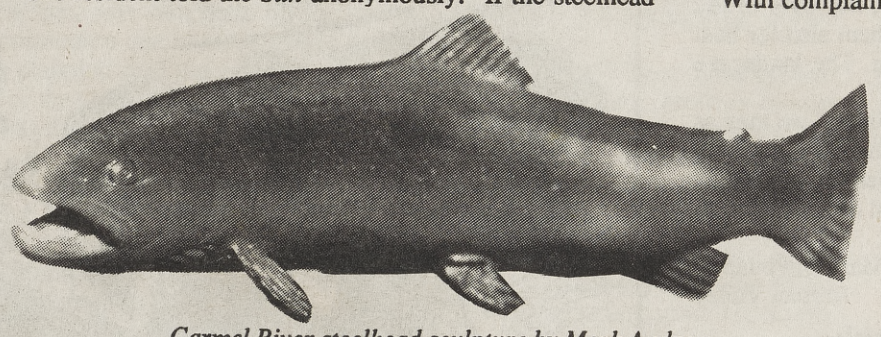
"It is not a good situation," said biologist Dave Dettman of the dwindling numbers of known steelhead and the coast's five-year drought. "These are the worst conditions the fish have faced in historic times."

Carmel River steelhead are important environmentally because they are described as the southernmost significant wild run of steelhead on the West Coast. As such, the fish are are a major obstacle to plans to build a new, 24,000-acre-foot Los Padres dam on the Carmel River.

Approval of a new dam hinges as much as anything on crafting a plan that will satisfy U. S. Fish and Wildlife and state Fish & Game Departments' worries that the fish and their river habitat be protected if a new dam is built.

Some members of the Carmel River Steelhead Association privately express the belief that the water management district and especially Cal-Am Water Co. would like to see the Carmel River steelhead disappear for good.

"Their life would be a lot easier if the fish were gone," one resident told the *Sun* anonymously. "If the steelhead weren't there, chances for getting a dam approved would be better, and they know it."



Carmel River steelhead sculpture by Mark Andrew

Asked about that accusation, Larry Foy, general manager of Cal-Am, categorically denied that he would like to see the fish disappear.

"We're concerned about protecting the environment, too," Foy told the *Sun*. "It's just that we also believe that there must be a balance between the needs of the environment and the needs of the people."

With complaints to the state and lawsuits, the steelhead association's efforts to protect the remaining fish frequently make them the focal point of arguments over water policies.

"People are more important than fish," declared a spokesman for the construction industry heatedly during a hearing over water management district plans to impose a building moratorium to save water after two years of 20 percent rationing.

Despite strong concern for the survival of the steelhead in many quarters, the drought, poachers and incidents like the one which killed steelhead upstream

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Fire Plan Opponents Want Own District

By Stan Hall

Confident opponents of a fire annexation proposal said that after they defeat it they want to form their own fire protection district covering County Service Areas (CSAs) 43 and 39.

"That way, we won't be under control of the Board of Supervisors," said Jack Hanford, president of the Del Mesa Homeowners Association and a leader of the opposition to Mid Valley Fire Department's proposal to annex the two CSAs.

"We want to be able to make our own decisions," he added. "We don't want to lose our CDF (California Department of Forestry) firefighters, even if it does cost a little more."

Cedric Rowntree, who has 56 years of fire service experience starting in 1936 when he joined Carmel Fire Department as a volunteer, agreed, "I certainly want to look into the possibility" of creating a new fire protection district. Now retired, Rowntree served 19 years as a traveling fire service instructor for the state, covering a territory from Monterey to Contra Costa county.

He said residents were content to continue to get their fire service protection through a County-administered CSA "as long as things were going well. Clearly we would have been better off if we had formed our own fire protection district" when it was suggested several years ago.

"If they have enough money, they can do anything," said Mid Valley Fire Chief Gary Carmichael when asked about opponents' hopes to create their own fire district. Pointing out a proposal to raise taxes in the CSAs would require two-thirds approval, Carmichael added: "It's one thing to get people to sign up to force a vote—that's like apple pie and motherhood. It's quite another to ask people to vote to increase their taxes."

Anne McGowan, president of the Mid Valley Fire Protection District board, agreed that opponents probably would be successful in forcing a vote, but she questioned whether they would be as successful in forming a new district.

"If there's an election, people will have a lot more information" about the issue, she said. "It's sad that it had to come to this acrimony."

Saying that CDF employees had created a Political Action Committee (PAC) funded at least in part with money from the state firefighters' union to oppose the Mid Valley plan, she added that the opposition to the annexation has been "outside orchestrated."

"You cannot call this a grass-roots effort. Why is it that the union has to come in and support it financially?"

She said the PAC, Firefighters for Better Service, had been formed Dec. 12 with the expressed purpose of lobbying against the consolidation.

She added that much of the "bad feelings had to come from CDF personnel who didn't want to lose their jobs here."

CSA 43 covers essentially the mouth of the Valley out to Rancho San Carlos Road, and CSA 39 covers the Aguajito-Josselyn Canyon neighborhoods. Mid Valley abuts CSA 43 on the east.

With at least tacit support of the Board of Supervisors, Mid Valley proposed the annexation of the two CSAs after the failure of a proposal that seven area fire departments should be consolidated for increased efficiency. Carmel Valley, Cachagua and Carmel Highlands rejected that idea out of hand, saying they didn't want any part of it.

A report prepared by a consultant to the County—the same San Mateo consultant who proposed the broader consolidation—estimated that the annexation of the CSAs 43 and 39 would save $1 million within five years, but the figure has been challenged by opponents.

Meantime, opponents have been gathering petition signatures to force a public vote on the annexation issue in the June 4 election. As of Wednesday morning, Helen Melville, another leader of the opposition and an organizer of the petition drive, told the *Sun* that at least 1,300 names of voters had been collected, and she was picking up the last of the petitions from the 24 team captains who worked to collect signatures.

Opponents of the plan have said they want to collect at least 1,500 voter signatures before the Feb. 28 deadline to make sure they have enough to block the proposal pending a public vote. The plan has already received final approval from the supervisors and the County's Local Agency Formation Commission and will go into effect should the petition drive fail.

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REP. LEON PANETTA poses with Max Chaplin, left, and Alan Sandstrum at the annual Carmel Valley Property Owners Association meeting. Sandstrum succeeded Chaplin as the group's president at the meeting. See page 7 for a story on Panetta's remarks.

Sun photo by Bob Rice

House Size Election Fight Gets Hotter

By Isabelle Hall

The rhetoric grew hotter this week in the controversy over restricting house sizes in Carmel with opposing sides in the March 5 Measure E election trading barbs over each side's refusal to attend the other's debate.

After backers of Measure E declined to debate at a Carmel Board of Realtors meeting last week, opponents returned the favor by turning down the Carmel Residents Association (CRA) bid for a debate Wednesday night.

With the words growing hotter, each side essentially claimed that it wouldn't do any good to debate before a group of people whose minds already were made up.

In addition, opponent Don Kremer, who was the only speaker before the Realtors, said if he debated at the CRA it would only "recharge emotions and...divide the community."

Clearly, the community already appears divided—if not exactly along the lines of residents versus businesspeople, then pretty close to it. As Councilwoman Barbara Brooks put it: "We're playing get even right now."

"By God, I'm against apathy," said CRA President Jim Holliday. "If we can't stir up interest without stirring up emotions, then we need to stir up emotions. We need people to be aroused."

Kremer, a retired businessman and remodeler who has taken the lead in opposing Measure E, turned down Holliday's invitation to debate. "Residents are now looking forward to expressing their desires in the quiet of the voting booth. I doubt that a new two-hour public debate will bring forth any new information."

For her part, Mayor Jean Grace, who opposes Measure E, said, "The proponents did not want to debate before the Board of Realtors because they said it was biased, but there's no group more biased than the

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LETTERS

Eucalyptus Trees are Gorgeous

Luckily, trees are much thought about these days. We realize that we need them desperately to ensure at least a reasonable amount of healthy air to breathe. We need their great crowns for the comfort of all creatures and their shade to aid in keeping moisture in the ground, and to add beauty to this world.

The value of our many California species of oaks is being recognized—not merely as cordwood (which, of course, is great when an old oak has tumbled)—but as irreplaceable treasure: it takes decades and even many centuries for an oak to grow large, strong and weather-molded. It is important that these fanciful trees are now protected by law. They are a vital part of California's character.

Today I want to speak in behalf of eucalyptus trees. They are not native but Australian, brought here by the Spaniards. yet, having adapted so well, they are typical for coastal central California. I am all for favoring our native trees, but feel it would be very foolish to eradicate all Eucalyptus trees. It wouldn't hurt to keep the young ones in check but let's preserve those gorgeous windbreaks and rows along highways, the ancient solitaries or groves sheltering old homesteads, or anywhere. Their disappearance would mean a great loss, not only to the birds and butterflies (monarchs choose them also for host trees), but to all of us in so many ways. The landscape would be totally altered.

Since there is no return to the "olden times," we may as well accept and appreciate all our assets—original and introduced. The world, especially America, is quite a mixing pot. It would be most impractical and wasteful to be purists.

Mary B. Pomeroy
Carmel Valley

Measure E Debated Enough

Recently, I was invited by the Carmel Residents Association (CRA) to participate in a "public" debate regarding Measure E. After much thought, I respectfully declined. Here are my thoughts that led to that conclusion.

For more than a year, the Measure E issue has been discussed and debated among residents and city officials, in public forums and by numerous letters and articles in local newspapers.

Opinions on both sides of the issue have been heard at several city council meetings. Two of the council meetings were held at the Carmel Woman's Club in order to accommodate two or three hundred interested citizens. These council meetings were charged with emotion as citizens expressed strong opposing opinions. In some cases, I'm afraid, heated exchanges turned neighbor against neighbor. Because of these strong differing opinions, the city council decided to put the issue to a vote of the people.

Since the city council public hearings, voters have maintained strong opinions; however, since then emotions have calmed. Residents are now looking forward to expressing their desires in the quiet of the voting booth. I doubt that a new *two hour* public debate will bring forth any new information. However, a public debate, as proposed, could serve to recharge emotions and, once more, divide the community .

The goal of the Coalition for Carmel's Future is to defeat Measure E and not to cause discord in our fine community. I don't pretend to speak for those who signed the argument against Measure E, but I think they would agree with my position.

Should there be those who feel they want to know more about the Coalition's position on Measure E, I would be happy to speak with individuals informally. I can be reached at 626-8303.

Don Kremer
Carmel

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Advisors Not "Pro-Development"

How astounded I was to read the comments of Darby and Stanley Worth in the *Sun* (Feb. 14): so many misconceptions in so little space. Stereotyping the Title 21 citizens' advisory committee as being "pro development" is as off base a comment as I've heard. The Worths completely disregard the fact that two members are on the board of directors for the Carmel Valley Property Owners Association (of which the Worths are long-standing members), one member is a former chairperson of the Planning Commission and those members representing agriculture can hardly be labelled pro-development.

I believe the supervisors did an outstanding job in selecting a representative cross section of the public when making their appointments to the advisory committee. In view of our diversity, one of the pleasant surprises in serving on the committee was when every member of the differing groups voted to forward the current recommendations to the supervisors.

The "basic protective provisions" the Worths fear for were and are covered in great depth in the area plans that have been adopted, those plans having been written and debated regionally. For instance, protection for Carmel Valley, including provisions for planned growth, are contained in its master plan. The Worths' concern about increasing density makes no sense to me. Perhaps they are referring to provisions which would permit a caretaker's house to be slightly larger; I don't know. But small increases in house size do not advocate increasing density.

I do share the Worths' concern about enforcement, but not because of the wording in the proposed new zoning ordinance. Title 21's chapter on enforcement is largely unchanged from the existing ordinance. One exception is that now, someone charged with a violation will be told about it and the identity of the accuser at the time of investigation instead of at the time of court. I am told there are close to 500 charges of violation in Carmel Valley today, and there are great concerns over the ability of the County to be effective in policing its own laws. No document, however it is written, can be effective without the necessary action to back it up.

The public hearing before the Planning Commission on proposed changes in Title 21 is scheduled for March 20 at a special all-day session in the Salinas Courthouse. To date, less than 10 of the 850 printed copies of proposed Title 21 available to the public for review have been picked up in Salinas. This is the *real* cause for alarm.

Ileene Crane-Franks
Member, Title 21 Advisory Committee
Carmel Valley

Pennsylvanian Enjoys Carmel

I thoroughly enjoy reading the *Weekly Sun* and particularly the "Out and About" column.

In the Jan. 31, 1991 column, I notice that you make reference to Mayor Daly of Chicago. Isabelle Hall refers to him as Charles Daly. My recollection is that the mayor of Chicago at that time was named Richard J. Daley.

It really doesn't matter since the column was full of interesting facts and information, and Daly was only a small part of it.

Although I have only visited Carmel, I find that by reading the *Weekly Sun* it is almost as though we live there. We are certainly enjoying the flavor and hustle and bustle that the paper presents as to the developments of the Carmel Valley.

Keep up the good work.

J. Jeremy T. Whatmough
Bryn Mawr, Pa.

Ed: You are right. Thank you for pointing out our error.

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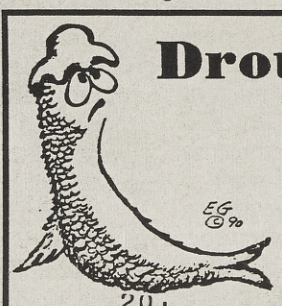

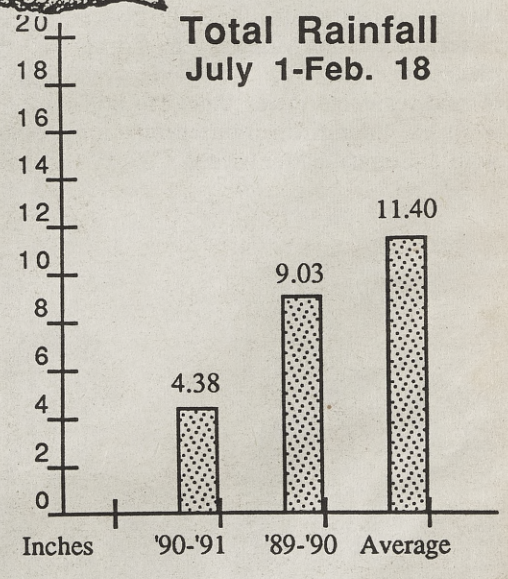

*The rain year is measured from July 1 to June 30. The chart above shows rainfall for year-to-date for this year, last year and what is average, based on 30-year records for Carmel Valley Village maintained by observer Graham Matthews.

For the full rain year, 30-year average precipitation in the Village is 18.25 inches. Since 1986, the area has received significantly below average rainfall. It got 11.24 inches in '86-'87, 10.06 in '87-'88, 11.06 in '88-'89 and 13.32 in '89-'90. *Chart by June Levora*

RESTORATION AND REBUILDING of Mission Ranch will come before the Monterey Planning Commission Feb. 27. *Sun photo by John Anderson.*

Mission Ranch Approved—Again

The Carmel Area Advisory Committee reiterated its support for revamping Clint Eastwood's Mission Ranch project Tuesday night by voting to continue the special treatment and residential zoning on the land.

When the question of whether the project should be zoned commercial was raised, both the local neighborhood group and a representative of the Carmel Residents Association (CRA) expressed strong opposition to any change.

The project, originally approved Dec. 17 by the committee, was sent back by the Planning Commission due to an oversight whereby the planning staff did not require amendment of the Coastal Implementation Plan as well as the Carmel Area Land Use Plan.

Meeting at Carmel River School next door to the ranch, the committee, however, did not grant Eastwood representative Alan Williams' request for a longer period on the Mission Ranch use permit.

Williams had requested a three or five-year permit, explaining that it had taken him two years to go through the process for renewal of the permit he got in 1986 when Eastwood bought the ranch. "It's been a nightmare trying to get it renewed," he said.

The committee also voted to keep the conditions of the use permit which allow the resort to hold 148 events a year. Williams said he would like to be able to vary the timing of the 148 events which now must be held only on a Friday, Saturday or Sunday.

The committee action goes to the Planning Commission as a non-binding recommendation. The project is scheduled for hearing at 2:50 p.m. Feb. 27.

At its December meeting, the committee approved the Eastwood plan to increase the 26-unit resort to 31 units by replacing nine aged units with 14 new ones. Also approved was restoration of other major buildings and two of the tennis courts plus an extension of the restaurant. Eastwood has agreed to dedicate the 12.9 acres of wetlands and grasslands on the southwest of the property as an irrevocable conservation and scenic easement.

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Carmel Hostelry Receipts Gain

Despite the sluggish economy, Carmel's tax receipts from overnight hotel and motel guests in the last quarter of 1990 were up more than $50,000 from 1989.

Receipts from the Hostelry Tax for the period from Oct. 1 through Dec. 31 totalled $581,344 and two of the 50 hostelries have not yet turned in their taxes, according to City Administrator Doug Schmitz.

For the same period of 1989, receipts totaled $528,389 reflecting the slump that followed the earthquake Oct. 17.

At the same time, sales tax receipts are lower indicating that while more tourists stayed overnight, they did not spend as much in the local stores.

Sales tax receipts reported through January were $126,200, down from $131,800 in 1990. Despite the effects of the earthquake last January, the sales tax receipts a year ago were the highest ever reported for January over the past six years.

The city put a temporary hold on hiring and cut back numerous scheduled capital improvements in January when its revenues came up $233,402 short.

The shortfall halted temporarily $94,259 worth of capital improvements planned for the first quarter of 1991. When the freeze was imposed, figures did not include actual Christmas sales tax results or the hostelry report.

The City Council is expected to review the biennial budget at its March 5 meeting.

If revenues do not come up to expectations, another $73,338 in capital spending planned for the April-June period could be deferred under the so-called "Phasing Calendar" adopted last year as a precautionary measure.

This would include $35,000 for street seal coating, $110,000 to paint Sunset Center, $1,200 for a council chamber display board, $3,250 for an EIR on a Sunset Center Parking lot, $7,000 for a radar monitor and $16,888 for a street sweeper.

Already deferred were filling of two positions in the Public Works and Police Departments and these expenditures: work on the Scout House floor, $9,200; Scout House basement sheetrocking, $5,000; the Chapman Room Wall, $18,000; the Post Office sidewalk, $9,000; Forest Hill park restroom renovation, $41,827; purchase of a City Hall computer room air system, $5,080; a computer modem, $3,578; cellular phone $1,400 and a FAX machine, $3,578.

Superintendent's Job Filled Quickly

Baldwin to Succeed Infelise

Vance Baldwin, named to succeed his long-time associate, Bob Infelise, as Carmel school superintendent, said the change in leadership won't slow the district's drive to win voter approval of a special school tax.

"The parcel tax is critical to the future of Carmel schools," the assistant superintendent told the *Sun* after being named to succeed the retiring Infelise. "We're going full steam ahead."

Baldwin, who just turned 57, was brought into the Carmel Unified Schools by Infelise when he became superintendent six years ago and has worked for him since. Baldwin is low-key and thoughtful but is not without a quiet sense of humor.

Infelise, 65, announced his retirement effective in August last week. His resignation was accepted by the school board at a retreat one night, and the next night, members named Baldwin to become the new superintendent.

"He has great integrity, great conscientiousness. We have great confidence in him," said school board member Hilton Bialek of Baldwin.

Bialek said Baldwin has a different management demeanor than Infelise's breezy, informal style. He said he expected Baldwin to be more of a hands-on manager, taking a more active role in day-to-day operations.

While he indicated he did not expect major changes, he did say that Baldwin had a lot of ideas, including some for reorganizing the district's central office to make it more efficient.

He added that the school board was pleased to have a candidate of Baldwin's qualifications within the system so that it did not have to go through a prolonged outside search for Infelise's replacement.

The change in leadership was announced as the school district and its supporters prepare to go to the voters in the June 4 election and seek approval of a special, $80 per home property tax. The tax, which will raise $3.2 million in the four years it would be in effect, will be used to pay for deferred maintenance and repair of school facilities and the purchase of new school buses to replace Carmel's aging fleet, school officials have said.

Bialek also stressed the importance of winning voter approval of the special tax to provide funds to meet the district's financial needs other than for its day-to-day operation. "The last time, you know, we got 61 percent (approval). In any other election, that would be a landslide," he said, adding that the district planned to work hard to get the 68 percent that is required for new tax measures under Proposition 13.

Baldwin also indicated that he did not intend to make any major changes in Infelise's policies.

"I think there's time to make a smooth transition with the board, the staff and the community. But I don't foresee great changes. What we've been doing seems to be working."

Baldwin first became associated with Infelise in 1969 when he was at Gilroy, serving as a high school administrator, and Infelise was hired as the school superintendent there.

Infelise is credited by many citizens as being instrumental in healing the wounds that divided the community in the

VANCE BALDWIN

wake of the firing of his predecessor—leading to the recall of three of the five school board members just after Infelise was hired.

Noting that the school's business manager, *Lila Johnson, also was retiring,* Bialek said Baldwin had suggested that the district's central office be reorganized to combine her responsibilities with those of transportation manager Ed Goodrick, who retired earlier this year.

That would result in a one-person reduction in the central office staff, Bialek said, adding with a chuckle "if we can find someone to do all that work."

World Day of Prayer Set

Church Women United of the Monterey Peninsula announced the 104th anniversary of Word Day of Prayer will be observed Friday, March 1, at 9 a.m. at the Carmelite Monastery on Highway 1 and at 1 p.m. at the First Presbyterian Church in Monterey.,

Positive Thoughts
Herman Fickewirth

The next best thing to solving a problem is finding some humor in it.

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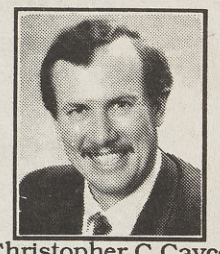

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SHERIFF'S LOG

CARMEL. A Carmel Point man reported the theft of a VCR from his home between 11/10 and 2/2. 2/11.

VILLAGE. A man reported the theft of property from his boat while it was parked in his yard on Via Contenta. 2/11.

Auto Suicide Attempted

SOUTH COAST. A Petaluma man who drove his car off a cliff on Highway 1 at Fuller's beach told doctors at Community Hospital he was attempting suicide. He suffered serious injuries. 2/12.

RIO ROAD. A man who lives on Mentone in the Highlands reported his car was burglarized while it was parked at the Crossroads. 2/12.

CARMEL. Residents on Outlook Drive reported a suspicious man soliciting for an alleged environmental cause; deputies could not locate him. 2/12.

CARMEL. A woman reported a ring, earrings and face cream were missing from her home on Morse Drive when she returned from a trip on 1/29. 2/13.

Butchering Broke No Law

VILLAGE. A woman who lives on Los Arboles reported hogs were being slaughtered on the property behind her home; deputies found no violation of the law. 2/13.

LAURELES GRADE. A woman complained her neighbors on Zdan Road were allowing their dogs to run free on her property again. 2/15.

VILLAGE. A man reported the theft of mail from his mailbox on Rancho Road. 2/15.

RIO ROAD. A Monterey man reported his car was broken into while it was parked outside Twin Cinemas at the Crossroads and his wife's purse stolen. 2/15.

RIO ROAD. A Seaside man reported his car was burglarized and property stolen *while it was parked outside Twin Cinemas at the Crossroads. 2/15.*

SOUTH COAST. A woman from Bay School reported someone had entered the school during the night, but nothing appeared to be missing. 2/16.

$150 Taken at Tularcitos

VILLAGE. A Carmel Valley woman reported $150 was taken from her purse while she was at Tularcitos School. 2/16.

CARMEL RANCHO. Albertsons employees reported they had a suspected shoplifter in custody. 2/16.

SOUTH COAST. The manager of Carmel River Inn reported someone had slashed a plastic lawn chair at the motel's pool. 2/17.

CARMEL. A woman who lives on S. Carmel Hills Drive reported someone shot a window of her car with a BB overnight. 2/18.

VILLAGE. A man reported someone entered his truck while it was parked on Lupin Lane and stole an Alpine stereo. 2/18.

RIO ROAD. A Sonoma woman reported a gold necklace was removed from her room at Mission Inn on 2/17, and there was no sign of forced entry. 2/18.

SOUTH COAST. A deputy found the door open at Bay School, but nothing was amiss. 2/18.

WILD TURKEYS strut in the early morning sunshine in a field near Carmel Ranch Co. Sun photographer John Anderson sighted two separate flocks while driving on Carmel Valley Road and managed to take this photograph. He said the turkeys were very skittish and started running into nearby trees as soon as he stopped his car. *Sun photo by John Anderson*

Cachagua Fire Volunteers Want Own Identity

Despite financial woes and pressure to consolidate with another department, members of the Cachagua Volunteer Fire Company said they want to create their own fire protection district and will work to raise money to maintain their own identity.

In a statement, the company said: "The option of merger with the Carmel Valley Fire Protection District is always a possibility in the future, but for now we want our own identity and are going to ask the people of the Cachagua area for their help."

The statement was issued in response to remarks made by the company's president, Jay Smith, to the *Weekly Sun*. Citing "dire financial trouble," Smith told the newspaper that *Cachagua Volunteers were investigating* the possibility of joining up with the Carmel Valley district.

In the statement, Smith was quoted as saying that he "may have jumped the gun" in his comments to the *Sun*. If continued independence is what the volunteer board and its firefighters want, then "we are going to work hard to raise funds," Smith said.

"We are asking the people of Cachagua to come forward and attend our general meetings the second Friday of every month at 7:30 p.m. We need their ideas and support."

The executive director of the County's Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO) has said that the agency's staff had been directed last March by the commission members to look into the possible consolidation of the Cachagua and Carmel Valley departments.

With from 15 to 20 firefighters, Cachagua Volunteers serve a rural, sparsely settled 112-square mile area southeast of the Village. It has a population of about 1,000 and is marked by some extremely difficult terrain.

Creation of a fire protection district in Cachagua would have to start with a petition to LAFCO to create a benefit assessment district to provide funds to support firefighting services. Ultimately, it would have to be approved by voters in the proposed district.

Larry Busick, president of the board of the Carmel Valley district, questioned whether such a district could raise enough money to adequately support firefighting services.

He also told the *Sun* that his group would be glad to help Cachagua Volunteers in any way it could. But in saying he didn't think consolidation was the answer, he put in focus the financial problems Cachagua faces in creating its own district.

"We really don't want to take on something would would drain funds from our district to help provide service to someone else."

Speaking of his department as well as the Cachagua Volunteers and their desire to remain independent operations, Busick said, "Everybody considers themselves somewhat unique. I believe in local control."

Valley Man Must Hold County Harmless

Joe and Bonnie Roth quit their corporate jobs in the Bay area and moved to Carmel Valley over a year ago to start a delicatessen business.

The Roths bought a house in Robles del Rio southeast of the Village with thoughts of remodeling it once their Roth's Gourmet store at Mid-Valley was established.

But, when the proposal to add about 650 square feet came before the Monterey Planning Commission Feb. 12, Roth confronted some problems he never expected.

The house he purchased has a culvert at the north side of the property that apparently was put under the road about 40 years ago to help drain the mountain above Roth.

Roth's request for a variance to build his addition was approved 7-2 by the commission but the Monterey County Water Resources Agency inserted as a condition that the storm drain be rerouted.

Then the county also inserted a condition under which Roth would agree "to defend at his sole expense any action brought against the County because of the approval of this permit."

"This 'hold harmless' clause is one of the most onerous things I've ever seen in my life," Roth told the commission. "The risk is greater than any other risk we might face...I had no knowledge about it in advance. I'd like to know why it's in there."

"This is a standard condition," Deputy County Counsel J.R. Ramos told the commission. "It is definitely needed in this case."

Ramos said the fact there had been previous landslides in the area and that moving the culvert was involved created an inherent danger.

"What's really at stake are the attorney's fees someone might win in court as a result of the commission's approval," he explained.

"There's some problems there and you bought that with the property," Commissioner Mo Orrett told Roth.

Then Commissioner Calvin Reaves explained, "It's important the gentleman understands that he can appeal."

And Planning Director Robert Slimmon, Jr. put it in no uncertain terms, "You have to accept these conditions or you don't build."

Setting It Straight

In its Feb. 14 story on the 50th anniversary celebration of the Robles Del Rio Post Office, the *Sun* erroneously reported that the Post Office moved to its present location on Via Contenta when Robles Del Rio closed. The Post Office was located in the building on Carmel Valley Road where the Carmel Valley Cleaners now does business from 1954 to 1976, at which time it moved to its present location.

A longtime resident, Neil Raymond, said the photograph of Rosie's Cracker Barrel in the Feb. 7 issue, which the *Sun* said was taken in 1945, must have been taken some time around 1952-1954. Among the other evidence he cited is the movie poster shown in the photograph advertising a Cinemascope film, which he said was not available in 1945.

The *Sun's* story in its Feb. 14 issue on the Trail and Saddle Club's new officers failed to state that outgoing president Russ Murray would continue to serve on the board of directors.

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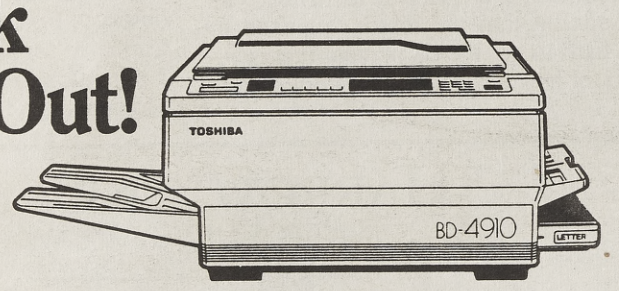

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Troubled Water Company Struggles To Resume Full Operation, Pay Bills

Five truckloads of water put the Cachagua Mutual Water Co. back in business last week nearly two months after freeze damage left residents high and dry. But the lawyer for residents who wrested control of the system from owner Don Gates said she still was going to ask a judge to put the 74-year-old in jail for flouting his orders.

"Everybody's real happy about it," said Bud Tucker of the 15,000 gallons of water that was emptied into a 50,000 gallon storage tank after it had been repaired, cleaned and re-roofed. "But we're still practicing extreme conservation."

But he said residents had not yet been able to collect any money from Gates for the expenses they have incurred in repairing the system "I've got bills totaling over $2,000 now, and others have some, too," Tucker said.

Judge Richard Silver, in taking control of the company away from Gates, ordered him to pay reasonable repair costs. Tucker said the residents had contacted Gates, "but so far we've got zero out of him."

Jane Haines, attorney for the Featherbow residents, said she would ask Silver to put Gates in jail during a contempt hearing in Superior Court Friday.

She said Gates had failed to comply with Silver's orders to provide residents with potable water, pay reasonable repair and cleanup costs and provide the residents with water company records.

"The court's authority is being flouted," Haines told the *Sun*.

But John Hannon, Gates' attorney, said: "I don't think anybody legitimately thinks the judge will throw him in jail—not at age 74."

Hannon also told the *Sun* that Gates was turning company records over to the residents and already had provided more than 800 pages, including information needed to do current billings.

Referring to Silver's second set of orders, Hannon said he intended to appeal Silver's finding that Gates and the water company were one and the same. "That's clearly not right and is an appealable issue," Hannon said.

Tucker, persuaded by the 18 residents using the system to accept responsibility for running it, explained conservation was still necessary because only one of three wells serving the system was operating, with the others being repaired or out of service awaiting repair.

Without careful use, the 15,000 gallons of water would be used up quickly, considering the relatively small amount being produced by the well.

Tucker said the water was delivered between Thursday and Saturday by Terry Bishop, who has a tanker certified for hauling potable water. The water was purchased with the last of an emergency $5,000 state grant which originally had been used to purchase bottled water for residents after a hard cold snap during Christmas week knocked out the system.

"For two months, it's been kind of like camping out around here," Tucker told the *Sun*.

After Silver took control of the company away from Gates and gave it to Tucker, residents of the Featherbow subdivision pitched in to help repair the system, which they said was not only suffering from freeze damage but years of neglect.

"We've had 100 percent support from all the residents," Tucker said, noting that three Featherbow residents were building contractors. "This has really caused us to pull together. I guess almost any crisis will do that."

When Tucker first was appointed to run the system, he estimated it would cost around $75,000 to get it into good operating shape. But he told the *Sun* he wasn't sure what it would run now that he had actually begun work.

The two wells are out of operation because their pumps need overhaul and also because the casing perforations are fouled with iron bacteria. "The output is down to almost nothing," Tucker said.

Tucker said the residents' next step, after repairing the system, was to try to gain ownership of it. "We would like for it to be a true mutual, a company that belongs to all the residents," he said.

SIX YEARS OF SERVICE as treasurer won Robert Abinante of Monterey the annual service award of the Ventana Chapter of the Sierra Club. He is shown above with Jo Stallard, a member of the club and County Planning Commissioner. Also honored at the chapter's annual awards meeting were Councilman Bud Nunn of Pacific Grove; Green-Slade Associates of Monterey, an accounting firm; Theresa Harrison, a science teacher in Seaside; Chester Gadaire of Pebble Beach; and Harriet and Art Mitteldorf of Pebble Beach. The meeting was held Saturday at the Carmel Woman's Club. *Sun photo by John Anderson*

Sunset Center Features Variety of Shows

The Pirin Bulgarian National Folk ensemble will give a single performance at Sunset Theater in Carmel at 8 p.m. Friday. The company of 75 dancers, orchestra and women's chorus is on its third North American tour.

The Waverly Consort will be presented by the Chamber Music Society of the Monterey Peninsula at Sunset at 8 p.m. March 5 under the direction of Michael Jaffee. The program, "Sing We and Chant It," focuses on connections between Italian and English music of the 16th century.

A pre-concert lecture will be given by Dr. Eugene Enrico at 7:30 p.m. March 4 at Carpenter Hall at Sunset Center to enhance enjoyment of the Waverly Consort concert. The lecture is free. Single tickets for the concert are $10 at the door.

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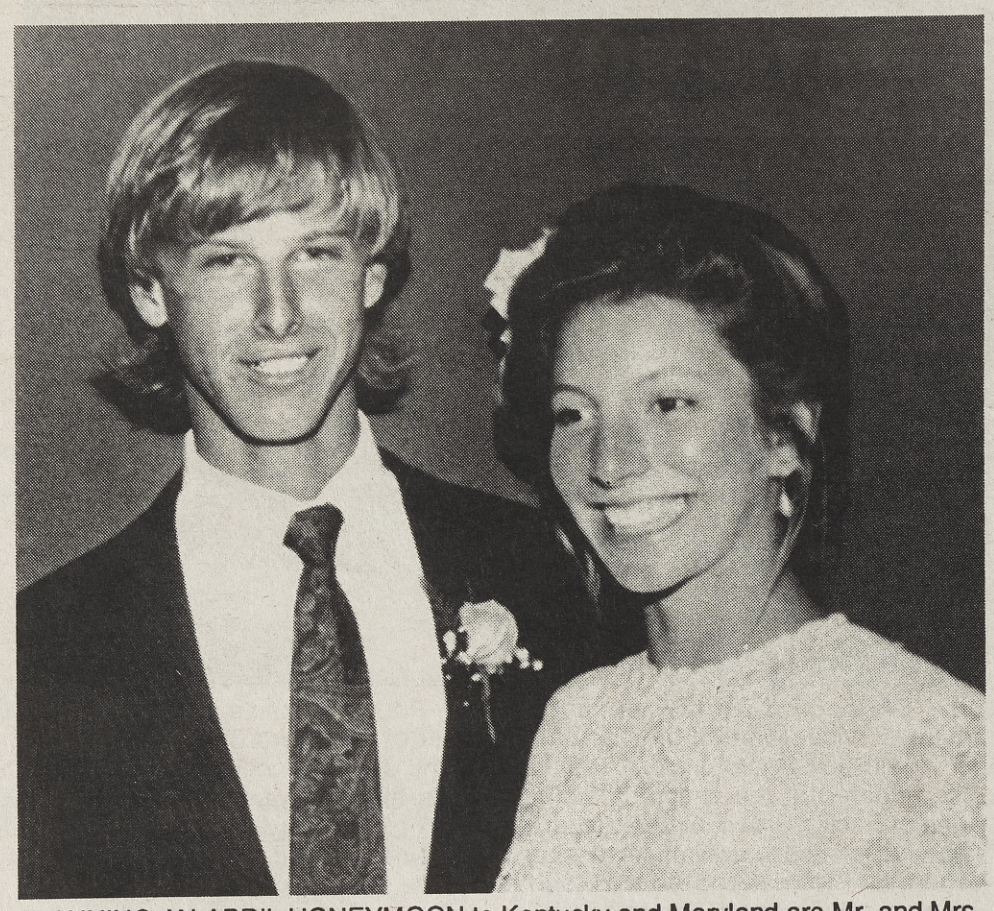

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Congregation Beth Israel Holds Auction

Congregation Beth Israel will hold its seventh annual auction Saturday, March 2, at 7 p.m. at the Hyatt Regency in Monterey. Auction items include three cruises, sailing tours of Monterey bay, weekend getaways, art, jewelry and dinners. Tickets are $25 per person with proceeds benefitting the congregation's programs. For more information and reservations, telephone 624-2015.

C.V. Women's Club Fashion Show Planned for March 6

The Carmel Valley Women's Club will hold its annual spring fashion show March 6 at the Hacienda Carmel.

Gerry's Fashions of Carmel Rancho Lane will present its spring collection. A hospitality hour starts at 11:30 a.m. with the luncheon and fashion show following. Tickets are $15. For reservations call Mary Coates, 659-5144.

Hekhuis Urges Wilson to Speed Up Emergency Water Project Approval

Striking a recurring theme, Chairman Dale Hekhuis of the water management district board wrote Gov. Pete Wilson asking him to help speed up approval of emergency water supply projects such as a proposed local desalination plant.

In a Feb. 5 letter co-signed by district general manager James Cofer, Hekhuis suggested that Wilson, perhaps through his new water task force, take steps to streamline processing of proposed near-term emergency projects.

Hekhuis, a former General Electric executive who took over as chairman of the water management district board in January, said this would provide "fast-track development" of new water supplies. He used the same term and made the same argument for the need for speed on taking over as chairman, replacing Dick Heuer.

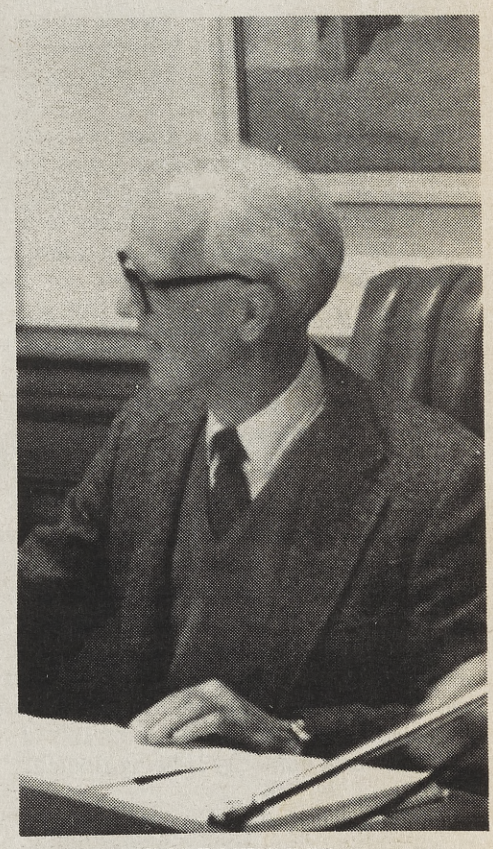
By declaring new, near-term projects are emergency projects, Hekhuis told Wilson they could be accorded special handling during planning, review and the permitting process.

His letter specifically suggested:

- Designating a state employee as a project case officer to expedite the movement of a project through state agencies which must grant it permits.
- Allowing shorter time period for public comment and agency review.
- Allowing the environmental impact report (EIR) for an emergency project to be restricted in its analysis to a single project instead of several alternatives.
- Alerting federal agencies of the state's designation of emergency projects and requesting cooperation in expediting them.
- Establishing a water project information clearinghouse to expedite the sharing of information among jurisdictions working on similar projects.

In his letter, Hekhuis acknowledged Wilson's help last year in getting legislation approved for a proposed land swap in the Ventana Wilderness which would make the construction of a proposed 24,000-acre-foot Los Padres dam possible.

"We trust that you will also see fit to encourage the development of new, near-term water supplies as well," Hekhuis said. He added, "We would appreciate an opportunity to pursue these ideas further with your task force."



DALE HEKHUIS

Hekhuis, who once lived in Santa Barbara, has praised that city's efforts to bring a desalination plant on stream within two years of approval. Hekhuis told the last board meeting that one technique Santa Barbara had used was to get former Gov. George Deukmajian to declare it an emergency project to help speed its approval.

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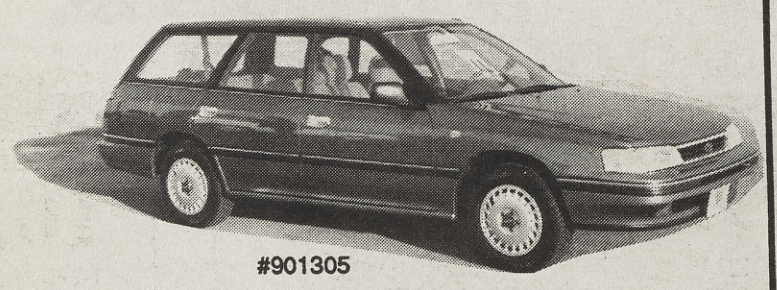
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At CVPOA Meeting

Panetta Praises Area's Quality of Life

By Carolyn Rice

Rep. Leon Panetta, enjoying a few days at home during a Congressional recess, told his Carmel Valley constituents that the "quality of life here is without comparison almost anywhere in the country."

"The great challenge is to protect the quality of life we have here," said the Democratic lawmaker, adding that "I have had the great job of living in the Valley almost 45 years."

In a hour long speech at the annual Carmel Valley Property Owners Association (CVPOA) meeting on Feb. 13, the chairman of the House Budget Committee talked about the war in the Middle East and the national debt and then took questions from the audience.

During the meeting, Alan Sandstrum succeeded Max Chaplin as CVPOA president. Other new officers for 1991 include Vice President Roger Williams, Corresponding Secretary Feesie Heuer, Recording Secretary Barbara Olson and Treasurer Ileene Crane-Franks.

Panetta told the group that the national deficit is a major concern. "The deficit for the year we are in is $318 billion," he said. He also said that "we're paying almost 15 percent of the national budget on interest."

"This is not a Republican problem. It is not a Democratic problem. The fact is, both parties are responsible for these deficits," Panetta said.

He said that the Iraqi war will add to the nation's economic woes. "The best guess is that the cost is from $500 million to $1 billion a day," he said "Whether the U.S. or the United Nations picks up the bill for a peace keeping force after the war remains to be seen."

He called on Germany and Japan, which both rely heavily on mideastern oil and are economically healthy, to pay for "at least 50 percent of the cost of the war so that the United States is not hurt so badly economically.

"Ninety percent of the casualties will be American men and women. Ninety percent of the cost should not fall on American taxpayers," Panetta said.

While "Washington tends to be a crisis management organization," Panetta said the country needs to make long range plans for dealing with energy, health care and other major problems.

"The heart of the problem is the issue of resources...if there is a threat today, it's the threat of diminishing resources," he said.

Panetta said that the Monterey Peninsula is very much aware of limited resources because of the drought which has resulted in two years of 20 percent water rationing.

In answer to a question from the audience, he said that desalination might be part of the solution. "It works well in Saudi Arabia."

He warned that "we'll wind up drilling every inch of coastline if we become dependent on ourselves for oil." But he added that his proposed marine sanctuary will protect the coast from north of Santa Cruz to Big Sur. "We hope this will be a done deal by summer," Panetta said.

"We need to develop a comprehensive energy policy for our country," Panetta said. "We can be held hostage if we depend on mideastern oil."

On the economy, Panetta said, "the service industry is not going to provide a strong economic base for this country. It's got to be an industrial base. We're not going to make it by becoming a primary consumer of Japanese goods."

NEW OFFICERS for the Carmel Valley Property Owners Association (CVPOA) are, from the left, Alan Sandstrum, president; Barbara Olson, recording secretary; Feesie Heuer, corresponding secretary; Ileene Crane-Franks, treasurer; and Roger Williams, vice president. *Sun photo by Bob Rice*

March 9 Races Benefit Junipero Serra School

Junipero Serra School will sponsor Serra's 10-K race and a kid's 1-mile Fun Run Saturday, March 9, to help support athletics at the school. Officials said they expected 350 to 500 participants.

The races begin at the Carmel Mission at 9 a.m. and 8:30 a.m. respectively, winding their way through scenic Carmel and finishing back at the mission. The fee for the 10-K race is $12 if paid before March 4 and $15 if paid race day. Registration for the 12 and under kid's race is $5.

The first men and woman runners will win complimentary entry into the upcoming Big Sur Marathon. For more information, telephone 647-1550.

Burn Season Set

Capt. Jeff Frye of the Carmel Valley Fire Department said yard trimmings may be burned in the district from March 1 through May 31 after homeowners get a permit and an inspection is conducted.

He said the yard material must be thoroughly dry, raised above the ground on an approved grate and be burned only on "permissive burn days" as determined by the fire department and the Monterey Bay Unified Air Pollution Control District.

Only residents of single and two-family dwelling can burn yard trimmings, he said, and burning can be canceled at any time because of weather or fire conditions. For further information, telephone 659-2221.

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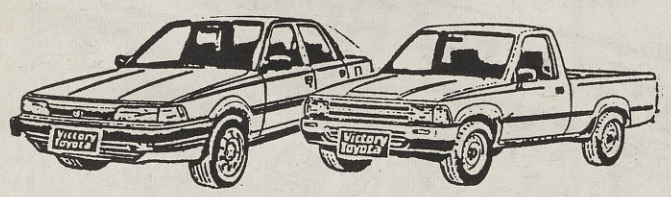

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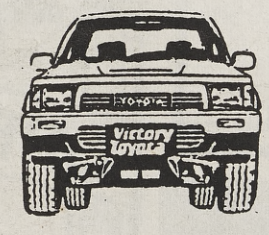

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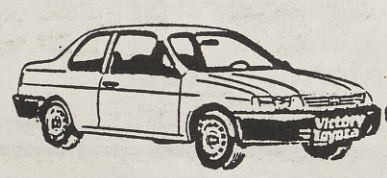

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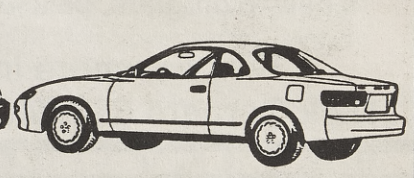

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Rosie's Bridge: Keeping History Intact

By Elizabeth Barratt

Even though it didn't receive its "semi-official" designation until 1982, the two lane bridge on Esquiline Road connecting Robles Del Rio with the rest of Carmel Valley was for many years affectionately called "Rosie's Bridge" by Valley residents.

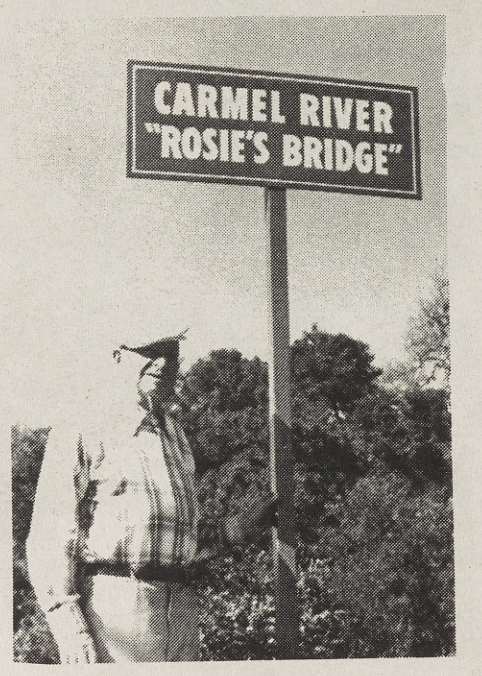
Rosie, or William I. Henry, opened a small general store and gas station just across the bridge on Aug. 1, 1939. The business operated in the former realty office for the Robles Del Rio tract, built in 1927. From 1941 until 1949, Rosie's Cracker Barrel, as the store came to be known, was also a post office with Rosie as postmaster.

When he was 78, Rosie enjoyed a tribute few people receive during their lifetimes. Feeling that too often people were recognized only after they were gone from the scene, a group of Rosie's friends got together and held a very special kind of party.

The event, held Oct. 9, 1982, was a personal tribute to a man who, in the words of one local newspaper, had become a "legend in his own time." A permanent monument was erected in his honor, consisting of two blue signs, proclaiming "Carmel River" and "Rosie's Bridge" in white letters, which were bolted to either approach to the bridge.

It was a good thing the dedication ceremony and party happened when it did. Exactly one month later, on Nov. 9, Rosie quietly passed away while resting at the store in his favorite rocking chair.

The designation of "Rosie's Bridge" was not presented as an official act by Monterey County, and officials quietly



WILLIAM I. "ROSIE" HENRY

turned the other way so the ceremony could occur. The signs were planned and paid for by Rosie's friends, and then-Monterey County Supervisor William Peters attended to "semi-officiate" at the ceremony.

Rosie's bridge is now a Carmel Valley landmark. The bridge structure itself dates from the early 1940s and of late has become the object of some local debate. At question: should the bridge be torn down and replaced, as Monterey County officials want to do, with a wider expanse in its place? Or, should the present bridge remain as it is, with perhaps the addition of a wider pedestrian walkway?

Area residents are expressing concern over the actual need for a new bridge. Nearly everyone agrees that a widened walkway would be desirable and could be accomplished without removing the present bridge. According to Carmel Valley History Society member Marvin Pylate, the condition of Rosie's Bridge is such that it is good for another 30 years. Others state environmental concerns over the added traffic a larger bridge might bring as well as with spending funds unnecessarily on a replacement.

"Some feel the County is proceeding ahead on the bridge replacement without regard for the wishes of the residents in the area," Pylate added.

At present, petitions are being circulated in the Village to expedite making citizen's wishes known to the County before time runs out for public input at the end of the month. A number of residents are taking petitions door to door, asking whether people think Rosie's Bridge should remain with added improvements or be torn down and replaced.

Village residents Cindy Madsen and Graham Matthews conducted an informal survey at the Post Office Tuesday morning, asking people's views on Rosie's Bridge. They said about 75 percent were opposed to replacing the bridge, questioning the need for a new one.

If you would like to register your opinion on the matter, you may stop by Rosie's Cracker Barrel to sign a petition or write: Karin Strasser Kauffman, Monterey County Board of Supervisors, Monterey County Courthouse, 240 Church Street, Salinas, CA 93901.

Village Youth Wins Hot Shot Contest

Colter Bissel, 11, of Carmel Valley won the local hot shot basketball shooting contest at Pacific Grove High School, scoring 85 points in the three, one-minute rounds.

The son of Kim Bissell, the youth topped 25 area finalists in the contest, having made it to the finals by finishing third in the Carmel area competition.

In the contest, youngsters aged 9 to 12 shoot from designated spots on the basketball floor, successful shots being good for two to five points depending on difficulty. The key to success is not only accuracy in shooting but speed in recovering the rebound and getting to the next spot.

Bissell scored 26, 26 and 33 points in his three, one-minute rounds. He is a student at Middle School.

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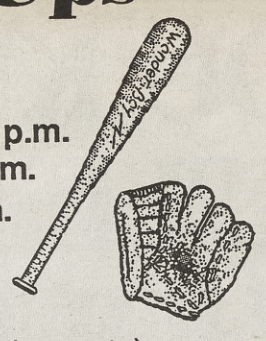

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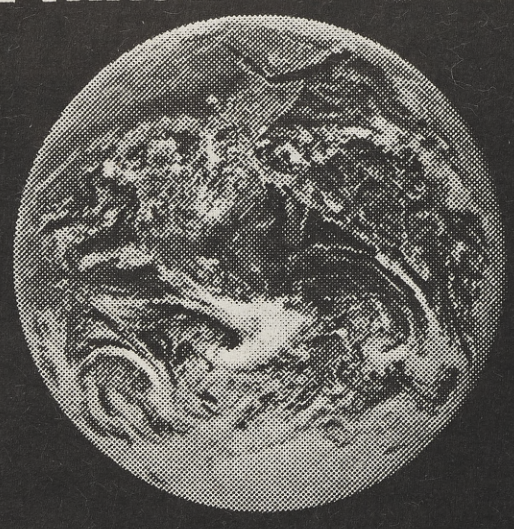

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English Roses are the Rage

By Mark Eaton

Those of you who are not avid readers of gardening publications, or are not loyal members of the local branch of the Rose Society have probably missed out on the latest rage: English roses.

English roses are a group of hybrids bred by a British gentlemen, one David Austin. What Austin has done, in a nutshell, is cross modern roses with the old fashioned types of the 1800's and even earlier times. The point of this project is to bring forth a group of roses that have the repeat bloom and disease resistance of modern roses, yet possess the fragrance and charm of the old garden varieties. Along with these characteristics, Austin has given us a lovely pastel color range and shrub-rose shape to make these hybrids ideal for blending with perennials and other shrubbery in smaller gardens. The English roses have many outstanding features beginning with a variety of scents that includes grapefruit, lemon, raspberry and honey. Flowers range from rosettes and single forms to coffeecup and peony shapes. Colors vary from soft pastels that fit in any garden setting to deep red-purples, warm apricot and rich yellows. It is important to know that David Austin, as well as being a prolific rose hybridizer, is regarded as one of the world's foremost authorities on the subject of old-fashioned roses. Armed with this knowledge, Austin's creations are truly in a class all their own.

Some leading rosarians believe that gardeners have tired of the year-after-year sameness of award-winning modern roses. To be quite frank, sales of the new award winners at the Begonia Gardens have been somewhat disappointing this year, yet we have had a deluge of orders for the English roses, which we are carrying for the first time.

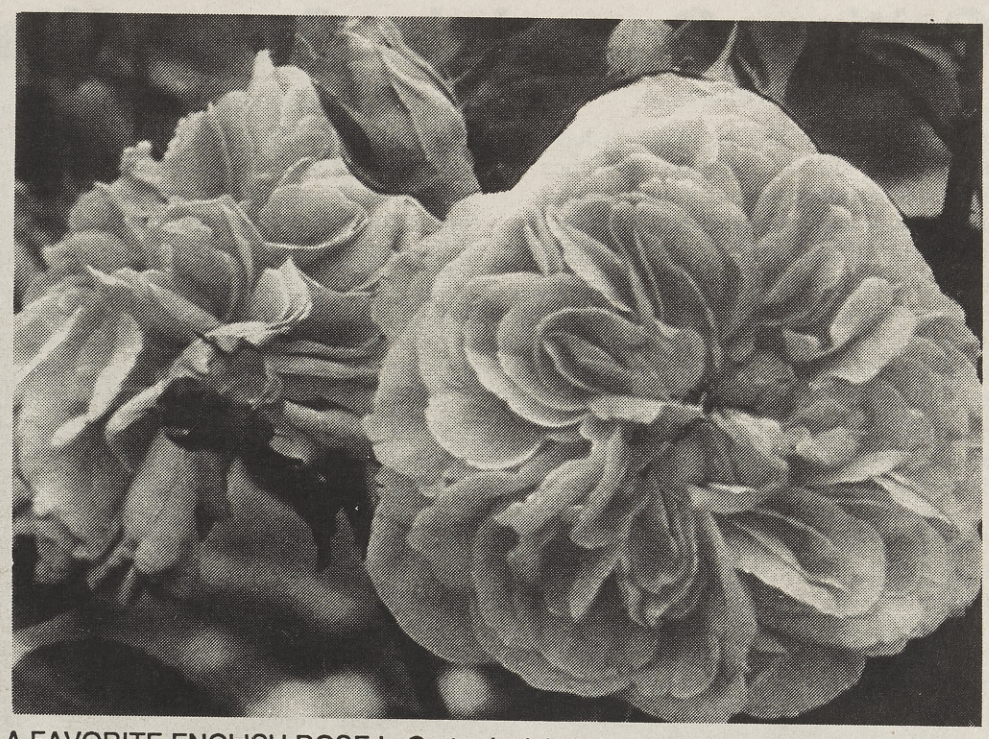
Although Austin's roses can be purchased through mail order, none of the major American rose suppliers have these available to retail nurseries. We purchased our stock from a nursery in Canada, not without a major series of procedures with the U.S. customs people at the San Francisco Airport. However, good news is on the horizon. At our January meeting of the California Association of Nurserymen, the evening's speaker, who happened to be the assistant director of research at Jackson and Perkins Roses, informed us that J&P will be growing and selling a number of Austin varieties for the retail nursery trade for next year's bare root season.

I have seen these roses perform in a couple of gardens in the Bay area, and was duly impressed.

I have also spoken with a few Monterey Peninsula rosarians who are quite happy with the results of growing these English roses. As for myself, I am going to plant a few this year at our recently purchased home in the Village and eagerly anticipate success!

Things to do in the garden:

- Just about everything in the garden is ready for a dose of complete fertilizer, as spring seems to be rapidly approaching.
- Might as well cut back all the plants damaged from the horrendous Christmas freeze to see if they still have a chance.
- If not already done, roses and fuchsias should be pruned as soon as possible.
- You will find a good selection of gladiolus corms available at local nurseries now. Plant groups of corms two weeks apart over the next several weeks for a succession of summer bloom.



A FAVORITE ENGLISH ROSE in Gertrude Jekyll. It grows four to five feet high and has a strong fragrance to go with its glowing pink blossoms and healthy foliage.

Tor House Benefit Planned for Friday

A benefit for the Tor House, Carmel home of the late poet Robinson Jeffers, will be held at Whittakers Garden and Gift Shop from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Friday.

Sponsored by the Carmel Board of Realtors, the benefit will feature hors d'oeuvres, a selection of vintage wines and door prizes.

Tickets are $12.50 each. They may be purchased at Whittakers, located on Lincoln between Ocean and Sixth, at some real estate offices and at the door.

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Williams agreed with the committee's decision to reject language proposed by the Planning Department staff that would define visitor serving units as being 700 square feet.

"All our new units are less than 500 square feet," he said.

Committee member Colgate Dorr questioned, "Since this is a nonconforming permit in a residential area, why don't you try to rezone the place commercial?"

"The real question comes if it burns down or washes away," Williams explained. "The Planning Commission asked the same question. We said we want residential zoning, with the historic resource protection, in the coastal zone...with all of that everybody can be assured it will say as it is or be a 31-unit project."

Catherine Woodward, who lives on Carmel Point, said, "Didn't the question of commercial zoning come up because it is a non-conforming use? If you're adding quite a bit with tennis courts and a clubhouse, it is expanding commercial use in a residential area."

Dorr said he was worried that approval could open a Pandora's Box for such other nonconforming establishments as the Sandpiper Inn and Lincoln Green Inn in Carmel-by-the-Sea.

Another Carmel Point resident, Paul John, asked the committee, "Why do you feel you can take it on yourselves to amend the Land Use Plan? What you're doing is expanding the specific use. You are in fact expanding commercial use."

"I take great exception to the word 'expansion,'" Williams said. "All we're doing now is discussing language that implements this (the plan already approved)."

"We're terrified of getting commercial zoning," Betty Bell explained. She represents the neighborhood group which has worked closely with Williams for a mutu*ally agreeable ranch project.*

Vance Frasier, a neighbor who said he also was speaking for the CRA, said, "We are adamantly opposed to a change in zoning. We will oppose it all if there is a risk that it will become commercial."

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Critics Complain Some Water Officials Would Welcome Lo

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of Rosie's Bridge in December all have taken their toll. In addition, evidence suggests that Asian driftnet fishermen still are illegally taking tons of steelhead and salmon from the Pacific, contributing to their dwindling numbers.

When people talk about the importance of Carmel River steelhead, the qualifying words "wild" and significant" are critical. Steelhead are found as far south as Malibu, but not in significant quantities. Hatchery-raised fish have been planted in places, but they are not considered wild.

The steelhead run in the Carmel River has perpetuated itself unaided for uncounted ages up to now, giving these fish unique biological characteristics which set them apart from other steelhead. Most importantly, they can survive in warmer water—up to 80 degrees—and in water all but depleted of oxygen—with as little as 2 percent remaining.

But now, "wild" and "significant" are in danger of being lost as accurate descriptions of Carmel River steelhead. It would be hard to argue at this point that their numbers are significant or that they are any longer wild, because the survivors in the main must depend on the help of man and hatcheries to perpetuate the species—not nature and the Carmel River.

Many fishermen have said wild steelhead make for a better game fish when conditions allow legal fishing, and state Fish & Game policy makes the protection of wild fish runs a top priority.

With normal rainfall, the run of steelhead from the ocean back into the river to spawn probably would be underway by now. Dettman, a biologist for the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District, said the spawning season typically runs from January through April 1.

But this year, like last, there is no evidence of steelhead congregating near the Carmel River lagoon, waiting for the river to flow to the sea and provide a way for them to reach the gravel spawning grounds in the upper parts of the river.

"Very few have gotten to the ocean the past four years," Dettman said. "There are not very many out there (in the ocean) and their chances for survival are very poor. We most likely will lose the run of sea-run steelhead."

In contrast, he recalled steelhead being so thick in the waters off the lagoon in past years that he could see them swimming in the breaking waves.

But he added that the best way to detect steelhead waiting to go up the river to spawn is to look for sea lions, explaining they also congregated near the lagoon at this time of year to feed off the steelhead when they are present.

With the river not having flowed to the sea since a brief period in 1987, the Carmel River steelhead's survival now seems largely in the hands of a few steelhead association volunteers. They look after the few remaining fish in the river, feed them, carry them from pond to pond when necessary and take them to hatcheries to breed in an effort to keep the species alive.

"This is the last hope that we know of," said Vern "Ski" Sciocchetti, one of those volunteers, referring to a total of 36 sexually mature Carmel River steelhead now at the Dufore Hatchery in Scotts Valley for breeding.

Then after a moment of reflection, Sciocchetti added: "But, you know, I have a sneaking suspicion that maybe mother nature is better at this than we are.

"I remember we had a seven year drought when I was a kid," said Sciocchetti, who was a sailor aboard a

LOW WATER LEVELS behind Los Padres dam show the drought's effect. The water is some 55 feet below the top of the dam. *Sun photo by Isabelle Hall*

Navy ship at Pearl Harbor when it was bombed, "and when it was over, we still had steelhead."

The experts agree that worse droughts have occurred, but what makes the present one so damaging is that growth in the region has put so many additional demands on the Carmel River for water.

From the 36 mature fish at the hatchery, Sciocchetti said the association hopes that some 50,000 young fish can be raised. "When they get big enough so that 320 of them weigh a pound, we'll move them to Tularcitos Creek or keep them in nets at Haber's Pond," he said, referring to a pond owned by Ed Haber of Quail Lodge.

Sciocchetti said 13 steelhead weighing about 3 1/2 pounds apiece were recently moved by association members from salt water tanks at a government research facility at Granite Creek, 11 miles south of Carmel on the coast, to fresh water at the Dufore Hatchery. They joined 23 Carmel River steelhead already being held there which also will be used in the breeding program.

In the breeding effort, the association will be aided by volunteers from the Monterey Bay Salmon Trout Project, which maintains yet another private hatchery at Kingfisher Flat near Davenport, just north of Santa Cruz.

The steelhead association has about 70 members, Sciocchetti said, but only 20 to 25 actively help manage the remaining steelhead. "Some of our fellows are getting pretty old," he said.

In addition to the perils facing steelhead in the Carmel River, Sciocchetti said the fish also are at risk in the Pacific from Japanese, Taiwanese and Korean fishermen who use enormous nets to sweep all the fish up from broad expanses of the ocean. Estimates are that 750 to 1,000 boats are using driftnets, a single net sometimes being up to 40 miles long.

Although the use of the monofilament nets is illegal to catch salmon and steelhead, he said neither the fishermen's own governments nor the U. S. government is doing much to stop their use. "We've had steelhead return to this area with scars on their bodies indicating that they had been snared in those nets, but managed to wiggle their way out," he added.

Evidence suggests that steelhead may venture even farther into the Pacific than

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salmon, perhaps traveling several thousand miles before they are drawn back to fresh water again.

Sciocchetti estimated that about 15 sexually mature steelhead still live in the river upstream of Rosie's Bridge. But he did not want to talk about their exact locations, expressing fears that poachers still would try to get them despite the species' precarious lot.

Driven by the urge to reproduce, those fish will probably spawn in the river this spring, even though they have never made the trip to the sea. Some fish which never had been out of the river did spawn there last year .

Steelhead are anadromous, meaning that they normally are born in fresh water, migrate to the sea until they mature and then return to fresh water to spawn. Unlike adult salmon which die after spawning, steelhead don't. But like salmon, they have an amazing homing ability which brings them unerringly back to the fresh water to spawn.

Salmon and trout both belong to a group a group of fish known as "salmonids." Steelhead have always been referred to as a sea-run rainbow trout that behaves like a salmon. But scientists recently reclassified steelhead, putting them in the salmon category and giving them a new scientific name, *Oncorhyncus mykis*, referring to their hooked snouts.

Dettman has said that steelhead have been able to survive droughts in the past because their life-cycle varies somewhat. Steelhead emigrate to the ocean at any time between one and three years and return to spawn at any time between two and five years.

Last year, the water management district financed a $14,000 experimental ladder to try to attract fish so they could be captured and then transported to deep pools in the upper part of the river. But the experiment didn't work. Pumps only operated two days before heavy seas damaged them, and no steelhead showed up during the four high-tide periods during which fish could have reached the ladder.

Scientists don't know what it is that attracts steelhead back to their birthplace to spawn. Somehow they sense the unique characteristics in the waters of various streams, perhaps by smelling differences created by a river's geology or its unique plant or animal life.

In the fish ladder experiment, water from the brackish lagoon at the mouth of the river was blended with water from the sea and pumped down the stepped ladder, designed so that fish could jump up its foot-high levels. The idea was that the lagoon water would provide the unique signature needed for the steelhead to identify the Carmel River.

Dettman had proposed to build another and better ladder this year to try to attract steelhead if the river again failed to flow to the sea. But the board of directors of the water management district vetoed the idea. The board also rejected a consultant's recommendation that a permanent $1.7 million ladder be built as a way to help mitigate the environmental impact on the steelhead from the heavy use of water from the river and the aquifer underneath it.

At the time, an ad hoc committee of directors of the water management district declared: "The fishery is a renewable resource. If we are able to maintain the gene pool and a reasonable stock of returning fish, the fishery will restore itself after we create appropriate conditions for it by increasing water supply and limiting growth in water demand.

"The committee believes we should seek to maintain a steelhead run that is large enough to regenerate quickly when appropriate conditions return. On the other hand, we are not obligated to saturate the spawning habitat or to 'optimize' the fishery as an interim measure pending construction of a dam."

Just as some people suggest that some officials would like to see the steelhead disappear from the Carmel River, others also suggest that the fish kill that occurred Sunday, Dec. 9, may not have been entirely accidental. Stretches of the river where steelhead and other aquatic life were living in deep pools dried up overnight when the flow was reduced from San Clemente dam and wells near Rosie's Bridge kicked on, sucking the river dry.

Realizing that changes were being made in the management of the river at that time, steelhead association members said they went to the water management district and offered to collect the fish and take them to safe ponds if there were any danger to them over the weekend.

They said they were assured that the river would not dry up, so they put off their plans to rescue the steelhead. An accurate count of just how many steelhead were among the animals killed is impossible. But some steelhead association members estimate it may have been as high as several hundred.

Acknowledging that the Carmel River steelhead is clearly in danger, some members of the steelhead association still resist having it put on the federal government's endangered species list. They argue that the designation by itself won't do much to help the fish. But they also fear that should the fish somehow stage a strong comeback, bureaucrats might use that designation to prohibit all steelhead fishing in the river for many years.

WATER FLOWS DOWN an experimental fish ladder during last year's unsuccessful attempt to attract steelhead from the sea wanting to go up the Carmel River to spawn. Biologists say there are probably very few Carmel River steelhead in the ocean now. *Sun photo by Stan Hall*

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FAR Issue Heats Up

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CRA, and sometimes I agree with them.

"The CRA board makes its mind up on every issue. I don't think the board of the CRA is very objective," she added.

The nearly 4,000 voters in the one-mile square city are being asked to approve a law enacted by the city council last fall requiring that the floor area ratio (FAR) of the city's predominately 4,000-square foot lots be restricted to just 40 percent of the lot, or 1,400 square feet plus a 200-square foot garage. Prior to the vote, the FAR was 45 percent or 1,600 square feet plus a garage. The ordinance amends the General Plan.

If it is defeated, the issue would then go back to the council and, presumably, continued arguments over whether such restrictions are necessary to preserve the village charm of Carmel. Opponents argue that strong design review is the way to control the proliferation of overly large and often ugly houses.

The measure passed after months of argument and two council sessions held at the Carmel Woman's Club to handle the crowds. As a result of the acrimonious debate, Brooks urged the ordinance be put to a vote of the people. The very suggestion provoked still more argument between the sharply divided council members with Mayor Jean Grace and Councilman Bob Fischer opposing the 40 percent requirement and Councilmembers Ken White, Jim Wright and Brooks in favor.

The CRA scheduled a two-hour public forum for 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, after the *Weekly Sun* had gone to press. Holliday asked Kremer to speak after being turned down by the mayor and Fischer and two others who signed the ballot measure as official opponents.

Holliday objected to news stories in the *Sun* and *Pine Cone* which essentially equated the Realtors' meeting with the CRA's special session.

"The Carmel Realtors Board holds a meeting every month at 8:30 a.m. at the *Crossroads," he said. "At one meeting* they decided they would talk about Measure E. They were not set up as a public forum. I'm objecting to the comparison. We're handing out 2,000 flyers to get the public to our meeting. It's free. Paid for by us...We're going to hold this meeting. We're going to have a standing room crowd. This is a public service. An informed electorate requires public discussion. It is the role of the CRA to provide an absolutely neutral arena. If they don't appear, that's like saying they don't think the voters count."

Grace said her chief concern is that if the measure wins, "It'll be locked into the ballot forever. People don't like the idea that every time there is a change it has to come back to the ballot."

Kremer formed the Coalition for Carmel's Future to fight Measure E and has mailed flyers to 2,609 households urging a "no" vote. He also authored the ballot measure arguments on record against the measure that were signed by the mayor, Fischer, Helen Williams and former Planning Commission chairman and Councilman Robert Evans.

The flyer warns that Measure E will diminish property owners' rights, jeopardize the current and future value of property and define many existing homes as "non-conforming," among other things.

Councilman Wright wrote the official ballot measure statement outlining the position of the City Council. It says in part that oversized, out-of-scale houses are being built "by speculators in Carmel real estate who seek the highest profit margins."

Asked how she thought the election would turn out, Brooks, the former president of the CRA who was elected to the council a year ago, said, "I really don't know. You are really quite isolated on the city council. People don't talk to you the same way."

Brooks said she was "outraged" that Stephen Poohar, organizer of the would-be Realtors debate, had said she and Wright and White had all called him to say they could not come.

PICKUP OF RECYCLED MATERIALS began in Carmel Valley and Greater Carmel this week. Above, Alfredo Saldana of Carmel Valley Disposal tosses glass bottles into a truck designed to keep glass, aluminum cans and plastic and newspapers separate. Driver Terry Mardon said smaller trucks, such as the one shown above, would be used on routes where narrow, steep drives make it difficult for larger, new trucks to travel. Supervisor Karin Strasser Kauffman hailed the start of the pickups, saying: "It's been a long haul, pardon the pun." *Sun photo by Stan Hall*

"It's absolutely untrue," Brooks said. "He called me about six weeks ago to ask me if I'd come and be the speaker. I said he should make the invitation to all three of us. He (Poohar) said he only wanted one and Jim Wright said he would take care of it."

According to Brooks, Poohar subsequently called her to fill in when the others couldn't come, and "I didn't feel like filling in at the last minute."

"We're playing get even right now," she contended. "If no one comes (to the CRA forum), it's really not my problem."

"It is the right and proper role of the CRA which is now in its fifth year and has 570 members, to hold a public forum." Holliday told the *Sun*. "The community needs a counter force to the natural and proper interests of the business community. This is a town that for 75 years has had hundreds of thousands of tourists and plenty of businesses. If we didn't organize the interests of the residents, we'd end up like La Jolla or Santa Barbara or Provincetown, Mass."

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OUT AND ABOUT

By Isabelle Hall

The first long weekend holiday of 1991 arrived, and nomadic Californians, true to form, were out and about in their cars.

It was a shock to leave my house at Yankee Point off Highway 1 some six miles south of Rio Road Saturday afternoon for what is normally a 10-minute trip to Carmel only to be brought to an abrupt halt at Monastery Beach. On Sunday, the backup was even longer, stretching all the way from Carmel Hill to the entrance to Yankee Point.

Sitting in line behind all those cars still several miles from Carmel, I thought summer has come, and I am not prepared. I am not prepared mentally to reorganize my life to suit the traffic, to plan to leave the house early on holidays and weekends, to be sure I am never out of essential food, to turn down all dinner or evening engagements and stay home Friday, Saturday and Sunday nights.

As the cars crept forward a few at a time, I thought I am not prepared to cope with the idea of sudden illness or an accident. Would I call the police or an ambulance and tell them they better bring a helicopter?

What if fire broke out in the drought-dry woods? How would those of us who live off Highway 1 south of Carmel handle it if the only road in and out was jammed?

It is only the middle of February. Somehow I did not expect all the tourists to come at least until Easter.

I love Yankee Point, a little neighborhood on the bluffs above the ocean. I can hear the waves pounding from my bedroom. I can see the white water breaking. Sometimes I can hear the sea lions. We watch whales migrating, see the brown pelicans hunting in their perfect formations, listen to the sea gulls, watch the giant ocean freighters go by. At those times, I really don't care if I can't get out onto Highway 1. I can pretend I am snowed in and indulge myself in all those homely chores I put off for lack of time. What is as good for the soul as cleaning out a long-neglected drawer?

The trouble is I have obligations, and I have to get to the intersection of Rio Road almost every day,. After more than two years of this problem, I still keep forgetting about that traffic until I get into it.

Many's the time Stan and I have gotten dressed to go out, gotten in the car, and onto Highway 1 before we realized all those cars were stacking up just around the corner at Highlands Inn. We have often turned around and come right back home.

STOP-AND-GO traffic stacked up as far as five miles from Rio Road on Highway 1 over the Presidents' Day Weekend. The above photo shows the north-bound congestion Saturday afternoon at Wildcat Creek, south of Highlands Inn.
Sun photo by Stan Hall

Since moving here, I have read volumes about the Hatton Canyon Freeway controversy. After reading that arguments over this freeway had been going on for 30 years, I have come to believe it never will be built. I can't even believe that any solution ever will come to pass.

It is such a contentious issue that when I say I don't think there will ever be a solution people jump on me, thinking I am pro-Hatton Canyon. Frankly, I don't know enough about the problems to be for or against it; for or against the alternative of widening Highway 1; for or against underpasses or overpasses.

I would like to see signs at both ends of Highway 1—preferably right at Rio Road or north of it and down at Ragged Point down near the County line—warning people that this exquisitely beautiful road is not for the inexperienced driver or anyone bothered by heights. Somehow I have a feeling it would help.

It bothers me to see people driving the road clinging in terror to the driving wheel of their car as they painfully negotiate the hairpin turns at 10 miles an hour, wishing there were no cars behind them, wishing they had never gotten on that road.

Although the statistics are dated, Supervisor Karin Strasser Kauffman says *something like four million cars a year make one-way* trips through Big Sur—twice as many as just a few years ago. I believe it. They all pass Yankee Point and pile up south of Carmel.

When we go out on summer weekend evenings and run smack into a traffic jam, I think all four million of them must be going north. Probably a

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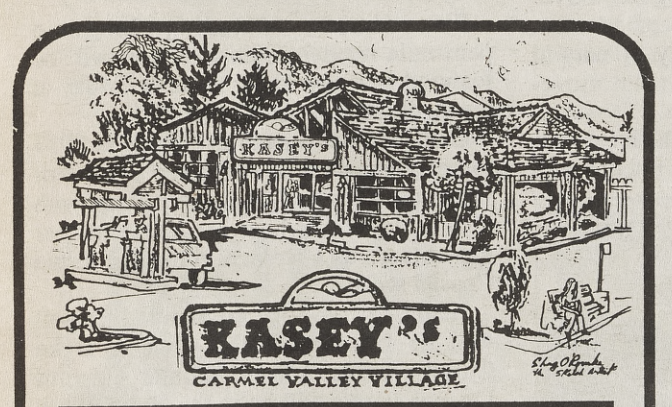

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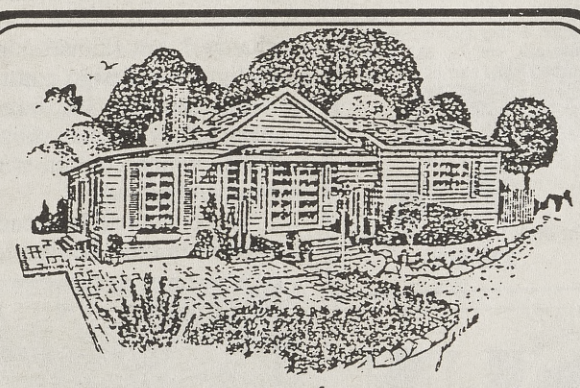

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By Anita DeCarlo

The Quiet Eye of Pottery

While we are busy castigating the National Endowment for the Arts on its stance regarding Robert Maplethorpe's explicitly sexual photographs, we must also be grateful that without their assistance we might not be able to view the exquisite pottery of Shoji Hamada and Barnard Leach at the Monterey Peninsula Museum of Art.

Together these two are the most outstanding potters of this century and the fathers of all modern pottery. Certainly there is no question as to the aesthetic merit of their work.

Through a lifetime of association, Hamada and Leach have shared the knowledge and craft of the Japanese potters resulting from centuries of cumulative thought and effort. They have steeped themselves in this traditional knowledge. Only then did they develop in an evolutionary way, variations in ceramic form, color and design—*Sabi* at work. *Sabi* is the Japanese word for "controlled spontaneity." From years of absorbing knowledge comes the ability to respond spontaneously. It would seem the NEA couldn't miss here!

How did the lives of an Englishman and a Japanese become so entwined? Perhaps the reason is as mysterious as a kindred spirit and as fateful as circumstance.

Leach was born in Hong Kong in 1887. After studying painting and etching at the Slade School in London, he returned to the Far East in 1909 to settle in Japan. There he studied Raku and stoneware pottery with the sixth Kenzan.

The original Kenzan, who died in 1743, was so unique in his contribution to the development of Japanese ceramics that successive, unrelated potters took on his name and style. The first Kenzan had been trained as a painter and calligrapher and so brought to his craft a richness of imagination and artistic sensitivity unrivalled by any other Japanese potter. He combined a profound understanding of decorative tradition with the perfection of color glazing that his own master had taught him. The result is work unsurpassed in color and design.

Leach had an exhibition of his paintings and pots in Tokyo in 1918 where the young Hamada first saw his work. Hamada was so taken with the pots, he returned again and again to see them. An aspiring painter, Hamada like Leach felt the pull of the pure beauty of pottery. A year later Hamada visited Leach at his studio in the home of the eminent philospher Dr. Yanagi. The three became a team in support of Japanese folk art which Yanagi termed "Mingei."

In Europe, meanwhile, the arts and crafts movement was promoting the utilitarian art of the common people, and when Leach was invited to England to set up kilns at St. Ives, he took Hamada with him as his partner. The Japanese went on to absorb as much from old English ware as the Englishman had from the common art of Japan. It would be hard to find a more explicit proof of the universality of aesthetics.

When Hamada returned to Japan in 1924, he was already well known in Western Europe and Japan. Settling in the village of Mashiko, famous for its pottery for 400 years, he went on to become a national treasure supported by the government.

Both men were true folk artists who took the tradition of the past from prehistory to their generation and unself-consciously enlarged the vision and passed it on to the future.

They died within a year of each other, Hamada in 1978 and Leach in 1979—two kindred spirits continuing on their journey together.

As you enter the Coburn Gallery at the museum it is a little difficult to focus on the individual pieces, they are a bit crowded. And they are encased in boxes, necessarily I suppose.

The desire to touch them, pick them up and feel their weight, hold them to your

PLATE BY HAMADA SHOJI whose work is on display at the Monterey Museum of Art. *Photo courtesy "The Ceramic Art of Japan."*

cheek is all but urgent. Loved ones beyond reach. You must plan to stay and absorb them at some length. Like living things they grow and take on new shape, it seems, as you ponder them. Or, is it the eye adjusting to such pure beauty?

Present in these vessels is the reverence of nature, the materials of the craft which come from the earth, and beauty itself, a universally understood beauty that permeated all of life and was life itself.

Perhaps the largest piece that meets the eye as you enter—by Hamada— is as good an example as any piece here. In its imperfect roundness it is more the feeling and essence of roundness; the light circle designs optically tauten the curve creating a tension of expectation. Isn't that what roundness is? There is no beginning or end but the continual anticipation of beyond. The wash of iron over the white mat glaze gives movement and yet it is at rest because its tensions are so perfectly balanced.

To the right is a lugged jar, asymmetrical perfection. The glazes are both mat and gloss, a play with the tactile senses—and the given that "the only constant is change." Are Hamada's plates round? the calligraphic design continuing the movement, creating the balance of tension. Aren't they all the simplicity of natural forms which contain within them movement and growth?

There is a trio by Leach which feel unearthed in their familiarity: a pitcher with Temmoku glaze that has the solidity of an old English pitcher, textured blackness the weight of iron. The large stoneware bottle has been thrown, beaten and shaved to a square, not measured squareness but natural. This also is enhanced by the dark Temmoku glaze to give it timelessness.

And then there is a teapot by Leach that is absolutely sensuous: a roundness of a pregnant belly, the very organic spout; even the space between the handmade handle of reed and cane and the lid is an exciting shape. The colors are exquisite—a blue-gray ash glaze with cobalt brushwork.

Leach could command an intellectual elegance as well as a sensual one. His fluted porcelain celadon bowl is again an imperfect curve, an ellipse of a rime that constantly changes as you change your position to it. it is a continuous movement counter to the direction of the flutes. all in all, this is one of the most exceptional exhibits we've had on the peninsula. You must go and learn.

New Show Opens at Pacific Grove Friday

Five artists, including longtime peninsula resident Sam Colburn, will be featured in a new show opening Friday at the Pacific Grove Art Center.

Colburn, who moved to Carmel in 1937 to become an artist, will have a show of watercolors in the Gill Gallery along with Grace Meredith whose art "concerns her experiences as a woman in the California Coastal scene."

"Paintings on Silk" by Sherand Russell will be featured in the Elmarie Dyke Gallery while acrylic painter Edward Leaman works will be in the Hall Gallery and an exhibit called "Characters in My Play called Life" by Jennifer Allen will be in the Photography Gallery.

Cherry Foundation Exhibit Opens March 2

A survey of recent figurative photographs by Edna Bullock and sculpture by Ken Weise will open March 2 at the Carl Cherry Foundation in Carmel.

Bullock's photographs focus on landscapes and the human form while Weise's sculpture in various materials includes a number of figures .

Robert DeGrasse Scenes

The Carmel Valley Manor Hallway Gallery will feature watercolors of the sea and valleys by Robert DeGrasse during the month of March. The gallery at 8545 Carmel Valley Road is open daily from 9 to 5.

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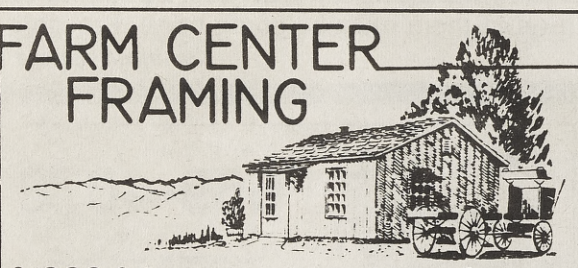

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DISCOVERY—THE LIVELY ARTS

By Barbara Rose Shuler

It would be hard to imagine a more vibrant rendering of Charles Dickens poetic prose than that of storyteller Ashley Ramsden. Ramsden, who makes his home in our region part of the time, has presented a sumptuous variety of material to local audiences in recent years. He is world class and first rate. We are fortunate to have him.

Ramsden—dressed as a Dickensian gentleman—greeted a full house at Sunset Center's Carpenter Hall Saturday evening. Under his arm were two attractively bound volumes which he placed on a small table, and referred to from time to time as if to remind us of the source of the great words he spoke.

A broad-backed piece of period furniture provided a sufficient hint of time and place—the only set dressing. The storyteller and Mr. Dickens did the rest-filling our imaginations to overflowing with the sights and smells, the sounds, activities and particular atmosphere of 19th century England.

Ramsden recreated for us scenes from Pickwick Papers, Oliver Twist, A Christmas Carol and a brilliant rendering of Mr. Scrooge. A vicious murder scene from Oliver Twist, the heartbreaking story of a battlefield and wondrously unlikely bedtime tale told to Dickens by his nurse will engage your imagination.

Ramsden's appearance at Carpenter Hall launched the Tor House poetry series presented in collaboration with the Monterey Peninsula College English Department. Paul Williams and Gallway Kinnel—both popular poets—are among those who will appear this year as part of the series.

Poetry in performance enjoys a robust renaissance nowadays. It would be hard to find a week that doesn't offer a public reading or a presentation of poetry or poetic prose. Audiences are eager and appreciative, ready for more. The efforts of the Robinson Jeffers Tor House Foundation and the MPC English Department have been especially rewarding for poetry enthusiasts.

I am happy to tell you that Ashley Ramsden's evening with Charles Dickens will be presented again Monday, Feb. 25 at 7 p.m. at the Thunderbird Bookstore. You will be drawn into the amorous adventures of Tom Smart and the mysterious talking chair. You will get to know the Podsnaps, a chillingly punctilious family.

Ramsden is more than a story-teller, of course. He is a consummate actor with a special talent for the one-man show. His characters are precisely drawn through voice, gesture and facial expression. Ramsden is alive to the story he is telling,

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every part of him animated with flavors of the words he speaks. If you don't take the time to experience Ashley Ramsden in performance while he is here, you have missed one of the cultural gems of our area.

Who is Sister Deola Booker? She is a strong, charismatic woman with a dynamic faith in the Lord and a beautiful, clear voice that sings his praises. The Friday evening series at Hidden Valley honored Black History Month last week with Sister Deola and her accompanists singing gospel songs to a mostly white audience. Cultures met that night through songs and clapping hands. Sister Deola educated the assembled ones with talk of the others. The evening lasted about 90 minutes—an hour and a half of pure delight.

It was a curious evening for the white-folk—rather like going to a new church with unfamiliar traditions. We enjoyed the singing and the sentiments but didn't blend fully with the experience. One had the feeling that the performers were honoring their more conservative white friends by presenting a softened version of Gospel music. While the singing was splendid and the performers engaging, there was not the experience of passionate musical catharsis one associates with Gospel Music. The genuine politeness of both the audience and the performers perhaps diluted the intensity of the performance.

Nevertheless, Sister Deola and friends gave us a gracious and hearty taste of her beloved music, her love of the Lord and his creation. She sang to us of gratitude and faith, of freedom from suffering and the joys of communion with Jesus. She exuded warmth, strength and goodness, gathering about her a fine group of singers and musicians including her daughter Charmaigne Scott and keyboard artist Marvin McKnight.

The Hidden Valley Friday evening presentations seem to be well attended and richly varied in content. Technical problems marred the two occasions I attended, however, particularly with the lighting. In one instance William Giles lectured completely in the dark.

Last Friday three microphones remained unlit leaving performers to sing in the shadows. Surely, a theater as skillfully appointed as Hidden Valley can manage to adequately light its talent.

Ives Sings March 1 to Aid Carmel Trees

Nearing age 82, Burl Ives, the folksinger who has long championed environmental causes, said he is still willing to help out whenever he can. He'll be in Carmel March 1 doing that at Sunset Center for the benefit of the city's trees.

"I'm looking forward to it myself," Ives said of the benefit concert he will give for Friends of Carmel Forest at 8 p.m. "I've always been interested in trying to help out the environment. If I can do a little bit, I will."

Ives, who gave a sellout performance at Sunset Center three years ago, was invited to Carmel to do the benefit by his longtime friend Clayton Anderson, a director of Friends of Carmel Forest.

The singer, who will also plant a tree while he is here, won the Interior Department's National Environmental Award in 1974 for his help in a campaign to urge people to plant trees and take part in environmental and conservation projects.

Ives now lives with his wife, Dorothy, on Puget Sound in Washington State. He has appeared in 13 Broadway shows and 32 films, returning to the concert stage in 1979.

Saying he will turn 82 on June 14, Ives said his repertoire at the Carmel concert would be "my regular balladry."

Barbara Livingston, president of Friends of Carmel Forest, said the drought and insect attacks had put stress on Monterey pine, Monterey cypress and coast live oak in the city. She said money from the benefit would be used to take care of them as well as to plant additional trees.

Tickets for the concert can be ordered at $15 and $12.50 through Center Stage Ticketing at 649-5561. Livingston said a limited number of $25 donor tickets are available which provide preferred seating and a post-concert reception including refreshments with Ives.

Jazz Will be Featured At Hidden Valley

Art and Ali Ryerson, jazz guitar and flute, will appear in concert Friday at Hidden Valley Theatre in Carmel Valley.

Art Ryerson, who played with the Paul Whiteman and Raymond Scott Orchestras in the 30's and 40's, will be playing a rare seven-string guitar.

Ali Ryerson, who has been playing the flute since she was eight, lived in Europe before she moved to Carmel Valley in January. The performance starts at 8 p.m. Tickets are $10.

Memorial Concert Staged Sunday

The Monterey Bay Chamber Orchestra will present a memorial concert for flutist Raymond Fabrizio at Sunset Center in Carmel on Sunday.

Fabrizio died of lung cancer Dec. 22. He had been the principal flutist for the chamber orchestra since its inception in 1985. The concert will be held at 4 p.m. A limited number of tickets will be available at the door for $15.

Play Series Opens at Forest Theatre Next Thursday

"Family Portrait," a drama about the family and village of Jesus, will open Feb. 28 at the Indoor Stage of Carmel's Forest Theatre.

The Staff Players Repertory Company will present four weekends of the play, performed Thursday, Friday and Saturday at 8 p.m. and Sunday at 2:30 p.m. The play was first produced in the 1930's.

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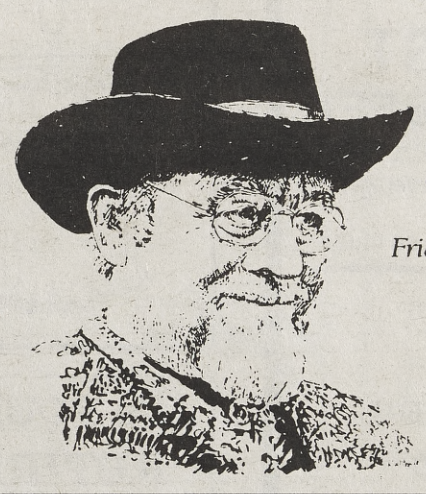

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Out and About

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lot of them are, because you hear people say that they will only drive the road from south to north so that they're not in the outside lane, hanging over the cliffs and the Pacific below.

No one told us about this problem when we bought our house, but it likely wouldn't have made any difference had we known. Once you make the decision to relocate and find a property you like, it has been my experience that people tend to brush aside the negative aspects.

Perhaps it is an elitist attitude to wish fewer people drove Highway 1 along the Big Sur Coast when it is arguably the most beautiful road in America. Who am I to say people should not see it?

I don't want to be a newcomer who says okay I'm here, pull up the drawbridge.

I have written about the wonderful sense of history there is in the Carmel area with so many descendents of even early settlers still living here.

But, I am also struck every day by the strong roles played by even very recent settlers. People who may have been business or community leaders from all over the country and many parts of the world tend to settle on the Monterey Peninsula. They bring fresh attitudes and often brilliant minds to keep the community vibrant.

So, you can't put up a sign that says, "Keep Out."

And, you can't stop time.

You have to try and solve the problems of living.

In a way, the problems of traffic and drought serve to crystalize the maturity of California. As people have flocked to the land of honey, drawn by the climate and the beauty—even the glamor—the state has fallen behind in building roads and other infrastructure to support them. Today, people often sit in their cars in gridlock in many parts of California.

When I think of all the places I have lived and all the traffic I have coped with, it brings my present concerns into focus. How petty they seem.

From the age of 10, I traveled 3-1/2 hours a day to attend private school in Toronto. Mornings I walked a mile to the bus, then transferred to two different streetcars, and walked a half mile to school from the last stop. I reversed the journey coming home. In winter, both trips would be made in semi-darkness.

College and working in downtown Toronto were even longer trips because I lived farther away.

Life in the little capital city of Montpelier, Vt., meant walking since I had no car, and there was no public transportation. This was fine except for the winter days of 20 degree below temperatures when carrying groceries home could mean frozen fingers and toes.

Living in Cambridge and working in Boston meant the subways which even in the 60's could be dangerous.

During five months of living near 76th Street and Third Avenue in New York City, I usually walked to work at UPI headquarters in the Daily News Building. There was so much to see. I walked a different street every day. The 32 blocks provided an infinite variety of life although I must admit many days I wished there were not so many people on the sidewalk (like all those cars on Highway 1).

Commuting to New York after I moved to Norwalk, Conn., was pure hell. I drove to the train station and took the New Haven Railroad into the city, an hour-long trip that many a day was interrupted and lengthened by service failures. It was a nightmare that I was glad to end with a transfer to Washington, D.C.

From my apartment in Alexandria, Va., I learned to sleep at night with the incredible noise of the constant traffic on Highway 95 whizzing by 24 hours a day. I had to get into that traffic, which often became gridlocked, for my daily commute to the U.S. Capitol where parking was a constant challenge and a parking pass worth gold.

Detroit, the city of the automobile, is laid out extremely well, and traffic moves quickly for the most part. Still, it is an enormous megalopolis, and morning and evening commutes tend to take at least an hour. A heavy snow can stretch that into four hours.

Despite the periodic backups going north on Highway 1, most of the time the 17 mile drive to and from Yankee Point to the *Sun* office in Carmel Valley Village is the most pleasant commute I have ever experienced. The sky always looks different over the mountains, the ocean is always a different color, the grazing cows and horses fill me with serenity.

I guess I shouldn't complain about holiday and weekend summer traffic. It's just that the five-mile long backups this past weekend snuck up on me like an unexpected spring snowstorm. I just wasn't ready for them.

Quilty Associates With Monterey CPA

T. Frank Quilty, Carmel Valley certified public accountant, announced his association with Sidney Slade, a Monterey CPA who has been serving the peninsula since 1970. Quilty said he would continue to provide accounting and tax services at his Village office but now would also serve clients through Slade's office on Camino Aquajito in Monterey.

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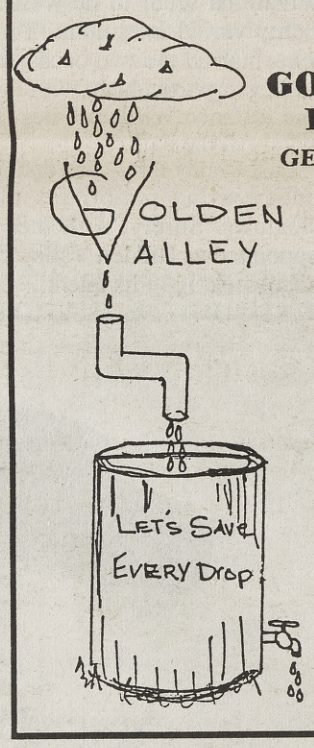

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REAL ESTATE OUTLOOK

Property Values, Government, and You

By Ileene M. Crane-Franks
Broker, Valley Oak Realty

When is the best time to do the extra things which will increase your property value? If you answer "Just before it is appraised for refinancing or listed for sale," you are not alone. Many people wait until that time to recarpet, reroof, or do the dozens of things left until we need the most value out of our property we can get.

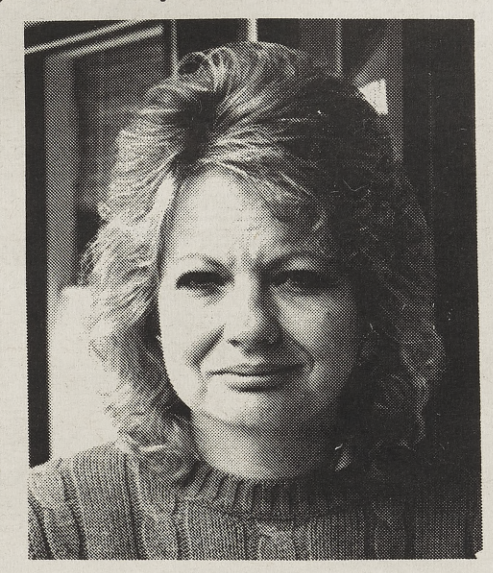
If physical improvement is all you're doing, and if you've waited until that time to take steps to get your highest value, you've waited too long!

Websters defines value as being "a fair or proper equivalent in money, etc. for something sold or exchanged; the worth of a thing in money at a certain time; market price." In practical terms, this means the value of your property is the greatest amount of money someone is willing to pay for at the time you want to sell.

There are two sets of factors that influence value—those you can influence and those beyond your control. Examples of the latter may include market conditions (Buyer's versus Seller's market, or availability versus demand), interest rates and economic conditions and political conditions.

Factors you can influence include physical improvements, but also issues of government regulation (land use or zoning, water use, property taxes, regional capital improvements such as roads, sidewalks, parks and schools).

When potential buyers come to my office to ask about this area, the most common questions they ask are:



ILEENE CRANE-FRANKS

- What are the property taxes here? (Answer: Approximately 1.1% of the selling price, as is all of California).
- What the schools like? (Answer: Rated among the best in the state as far as public schools, and with a larger selection of quality private schools than usually found).
- What's the population of the Valley? (Answer: Over 13,000, at last count).
- What does the average home sell for here? (Answer: Over $384,500 for a 3 bedroom, 2 bath home).
- Most recently of concern: What is the water situation here? (Answer: As well as can be expected in the fifth year of a drought, with some advantage over the Bay Area in that early mandatory rationing now gives us more reserves than our northern neighbors).

Buyers want to know about the area they are considering. Unsatisfactory answers to some of these questions can turn off a buyer as quickly as any leaky roof!

While most people are aware of regulatory issues once they are affected, relatively few get involved in the issues while they are being discussed and decisions are being made. Most regulatory issues must have public hearings to allow input by people before decisions are made and regulations passed.

In the upcoming months of 1991, public hearings will be held by the Planning Commission and the Board of Supervisors on Title 21, the county's Zoning Ordinance which regulates what you can do on your property; the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District's Board of Directors on 40% rationing and interim water supplies; by the Carmel Unified School District's Board of Directors on needs of the schools and assessment of property owners to meet those needs; the Monterey County Regional Parks District Board of Directors on the best use of Garland Park acquisitions and assessments to acquire more parklands; by the Mid-Valley Fire District's Board of Directors on annexation of nearby service areas; by the Board of Supervisors on improving or enlarging Carmel Valley Road; and by the Lower and Upper Valley Advisory Boards twice monthly to review permit applications for projects changing your neighborhood.

It isn't possible for everyone to attend each and every public meeting, and membership in a property owners group such as Carmel Valley Property Owners Association or Cachagua Area Property Owners Association, nor your homeowners association (if you have one) can help you stay on top of it all.

Reading the "Legal Notices" section of the papers, and reading the white "Notice of Public Hearing" signs posted on properties near you will help you decide which hearings are important to you. You can always put in your two cents worth by way of writing a letter or signing a petition, and it will carry the same weight as appearing at a hearing and giving your opinion verbally. (Cachagua residents have been successful in getting some dangerous curves on the roads straightened out by signing petitions circulated by the Cachagua Area Property Owners Association).

Property values, like freedom must be constantly safeguarded. Don't wait to find yourself the financial victim of someone else's decision made on your behalf without your help!

Realtors Study Merger of Boards

The Carmel and Monterey Peninsula Boards of Realtors have formed a joint committee to study once again the feasibility of a merger.

The joint committee was directed to study a merger and report its findings to each board. When the idea was first proposed in 1983, members of the Monterey board approved but Carmel did not.

The Carmel board has 129 member offices and 533 salespeople while Monterey has 164 offices and 492 salespeople. Their Multiple Listing Services (MLS) are merged and include the area served by the Salinas Board of Realtors.

L.R. "Buck" Bemis, president of the Carmel Board, and Steven Marino, president of Monterey, are chairmen of the joint committee. Representing Carmel are Barbara Simmons and Norma D'Isidoro while Sharon Gedryn and Toni Shankle represent Monterey. Sam McLeod was named to represent both boards.

The joint committee set up a number of subcommittees at its initial meeting Feb. 28 to look into such areas as dues and fees charged by each board, selection of a new board site should there be a merger, reviewing each board's staff and their duties, and each board's bylaws and Multiple Listing Service (MLS) rules and regulations, among other things.

A progress meeting is scheduled March 7. All findings are to be completed and presented by April 10 when the results will be submitted to the directors of each board and then to the members for discussion.

If approved, a merger would take about a year to complete. Contiguous boards would have to approve and then the merger would be presented to the California Association of Realtors and the National Association of Realtors which with some 800,000 members is the largest trade association in the nation.

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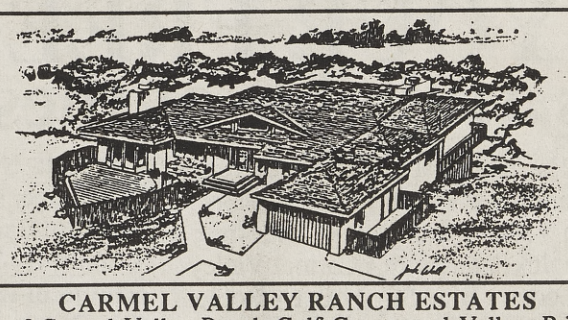

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LEGAL NOTICES

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF CONNIE LOUISE WHEELER
AKA
CONNIE LOUISE HENSON
(Maiden name)
CASE NO. MP11712

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both of CONNIE LOUISE WHEELER, also known as CONNIE LOUISE HENSON (Maiden Name).

A PETITION has been filed by BOBY FRINGS in the Superior Court of California, County of Monterey.

THE PETITION requests that BOBY FRINGS be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

THE PETITION requests the decedent's WILL and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The will and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court.

THE PETITION requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objective to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.

A HEARING on the petition will be held on MARCH 1, 1991 at 9:30 A.M. in Dept. A located at 1200 Aguajito Road, Monterey, California 93940.

IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.

IF YOU ARE A CREDITOR or a contingent creditor of the deceased, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within four months from the date of first issuance of letters as provided in section 9100 of the California Probate Code. The time for filing *claims will not expire before four months from* the hearing date noticed above.

YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a formal Request for Special Notice of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in section 1250 of the California Probate Code. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk.

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Carmel, CA 93923

(s) John P. Hannon II
Attorney for Petitioner

Publication Dates: Feb 14, 21, 28, 1991.

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF CLINTON DEAN WHEELER
CASE NO. MP11711

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both of CLINTON DEAN WHEELER.

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-PUBLIC NOTICE-

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
Filed Jan. 22, 1991
File No.F910127

The following individual is doing business as:
HAIR AFFAIR
505 Lighthouse Avenue, Suite 203
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CAROLE CAMPO
18 De Travesia
Carmel Valley CA 93924

This business is conducted by an individual.

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on December 13, 1977.

(s) Carole Campo

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on date indicated by file stamp above.

CERTIFICATION: I hereby certify that the foregoing is a correct copy of the original in my office.

ERNEST A. MAGGINI, County Clerk

Publish: Jan. 31, Feb. 7, 14, 21, 1991.

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
Filed Feb. 4, 1991
File No. F910207

The following individual is doing business as:
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Suite B-2
Monterey CA 93942
BARBARA COLE
336 San Benancio
Salinas CA 93908

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Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on Not Applicable.

(s)Barbara Cole

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
Filed February 4, 1991
File No. F910206

The following individual is doing business as:
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MARC PHILIP ROBBINS
Camino Real Between Ocean & 4th
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WAYNE EDWARD ARMSTRONG
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Carmel, CA 93921

This business is conducted by co-partners.

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(s)Marc Philip Robbins
Wayne Edward Armstrong

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
Filed January 23, 1991
File No. F910134

The following individual is doing business as:
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TIMOTHY OXENDINE
510 Stevenson St.
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(s)Timothy M. Oxendine

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
Filed January 15, 1991
File No. F910076

The following individual(s) are doing business as:
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Carmel Valley, CA 93924
LUCY ZARAZUA
Chupinos Ranch
Carmel Valley, CA 93924
JAVIER OLVERA
Chupinos Ranch
Carmel Valley CA 93924

This business is conducted by a general partnership.

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(s)Lucy Zarazua

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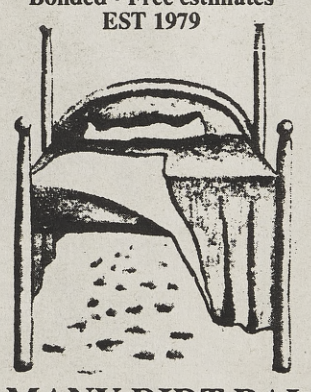

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Fire Plan Foes Want Own District

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"It won't fail," said Melville. "Like I do, people here believe in the democratic process" of letting residents vote on important issues.

Hanford told the *Sun* that another advantage of residents in CSAs 43 and 39 voting to create their own fire protection district is that they won't have to continue to pay 7 percent of the total cost of fire protection to the County for administration.

CDF firefighters provide protection to CSA 43 and 39 under contract with the County. Administered by the Public Works Department, those contracts expire July 1. Both Mid Valley and Carmel fire departments have said they would be interested in bidding to replace the CDF.

But Hanford said that if voters in the two CSAs reject the proposed annexation on June 4, residents could ask supervisors to give them time to create a new fire protection district out of the two CSAs, either by extending the CDF contracts or some other technique.

"I would think that it would be very difficult for the supervisors to turn their backs on the voters after they had expressed their will," Hanford said.

Rowntree told the *Sun* he could understand how residents of the area could be confused by the arguments being put forth by the opposing sides. He cited what he called "the uncertainties—the variables" in the Mid Valley annexation plan. One of the biggest uncertainties is whether two new fire stations would have to be built instead of one when the CDF lease for its Carmel Hill station near Community Hospital expires in 1995. The Hospital has said it needs the property where the station is located for planned expansion.

Hanford said it was his understanding that two stations would have to be built if Mid Valley's plan prevailed—one station by Mid Valley and one by the CDF to allow it to meet its mandate to provide wildland fire protection throughout the state. Hanford said he based his statement on assertions by CDF officials that they would not let another department share their station because of differences in training, administration and equipment.

Rowntree put the price tag for a single new station at about $2 million, including land.

Hanford said the process of creating a new fire protection district would have to begin by petitioning LAFCO for approval. Like the Mid Valley annexation bid, it could be completed either by administrative action or by a vote of the people.

But Hanford said whichever way his group took, "we would be sure to discuss it thoroughly with the people first to see what they wanted to do and whether they supported the plan."

Hanford suggested the County and Mid Valley, in promoting the annexation, had underestimated "the emotion of people who live in forested areas. We want the best fire protection we can get."

He also said that if residents fail to create their own fire protection district after defeating the Mid Valley plan, "somebody could be back here next year with some other proposal."

"Hostile" Fire Ad Changed

An advertisement, placed in the *Herald* by opponents of the fire consolidation plan, urged residents in County Service Areas 43 and 39 to sign a petition to force a public vote on the issue, arguing: "Remember—this is your only chance to stop this hostile takeover."

A couple of days later, a similar ad, labeled "correction," appeared in the *Herald*. Instead of talking about a hostile takeover, it said: "Remember—this is your only chance to bring the planned consolidation to a vote!"

Helen Melville, one of the leaders of the opposition to the annexation, told the *Sun* that through some mixup the wrong wording was run in the first ad.

"I didn't want a hostile ad," she said. "I wanted a nice ad."

Asked who paid for the ad, Melville said she thought it was a California Department of Forestry union group formed to fight the consolidation, but she said she wasn't sure because she didn't handle the details.

Padres Close Season With 62-45 Hoop Loss

Carmel's basketball team closed out its season Thursday night with a 62-45 loss to Alisal High, which finished second in the Mission Trail Athletic League.

Padre Coach Rich Frank may not be looking ahead to next year already, but he could be excused if he is. Returning players will be led by R. J. Powell, a freshman point guard who led Carmel with 15 points against Alisal.

In JV play, Alisal nipped Carmel 64-60, while the Alisal freshmen prevailed 54-29.

Mission Trail League Final Standings

	W	L
Palma (22-3)	11	1
Alisal (20-6)	9	3
Stevenson (18-10)	7	5
King City (16-9)	7	5
Pacific Grove (8-16)	3	9
Gonzales (7-15)	3	9
Carmel (6-19)	2	10

League of Women Voters Holds Workshop

The League of Women Voters will hold a public workshop on "Regional Solutions for Local Problems" Saturday at the Unitarian Church on Aguajito Road near Highway 1.

Assemblyman Sam Farr will speak on "New Legislation for Regional Government" and Wilber Smith, former executive director of AMBAG, will talk about "The History of Regional Government on the Monterey Peninsula." The workshop will be from 10 a.m. to noon.

The league recently reviewed approved and pending projects on the peninsula and how they would affect water resources and traffic.

The study indicated that more than 60,600 vehicles trips per day would be generated and more than 830 acre feet per year of water would be required if all the approved projects not yet started were developed. It projected an additional 40,400 trips and another 870 acre feet per year would be needed if projects currently in the planning stages were built.

According to the league, the existing land use process "has failed to identify the holding capacity of the area and to account for the cumulative impacts of these projects on two very important resources."

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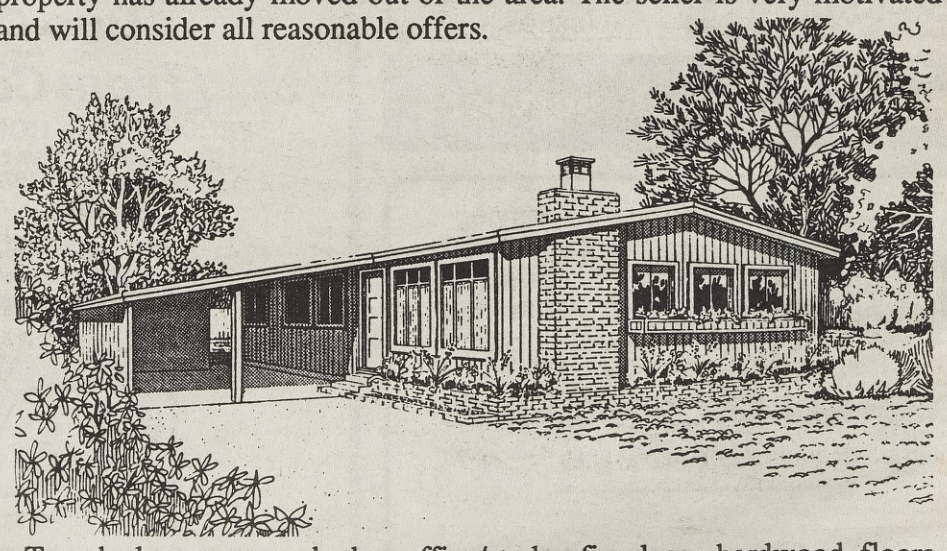

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